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Mike Wick recounts a joke as Roger Niemeyer counts to make sure he's serving a perfect bratwurst. In one of the school's best kept secrets, students from Mrs. Jean Kirk's Foods class enjoy some rare nice days for an outdoor barbecue on the "patio" hidden behind the Family and Consumer Sciences rooms. The students include Mike Stamate, Mike Wick, Keith Krueger, Gail Micholski, Alissa Wasyliw, Shannon McLaughlin, and Roger Niemeyer.

BACK PANEL / TOP:
First-year athletic director Doug James could count on one thing: everything changes. From rescheduling rained-out games to replacing officials who cancelled at the last minute, James mastered the job with grace, intensity, and commitment.

BACK PANEL / MIDDLE:
Counting down the last few steps to the finish line, Chris Mantel completes his run at the Lemon Lake sectionals. The speedy senior managed to make it all the way to the semistate cross country meet and set school records in track.

BACK PANEL / BOTTOM:
Circling countless times, Christine Wojvodo and Becky Van Lear wrap Michelle Barger in the Toilet Paper Game during Spirit Week. The games produced countless memories as the seniors squeezed out a narrow win.

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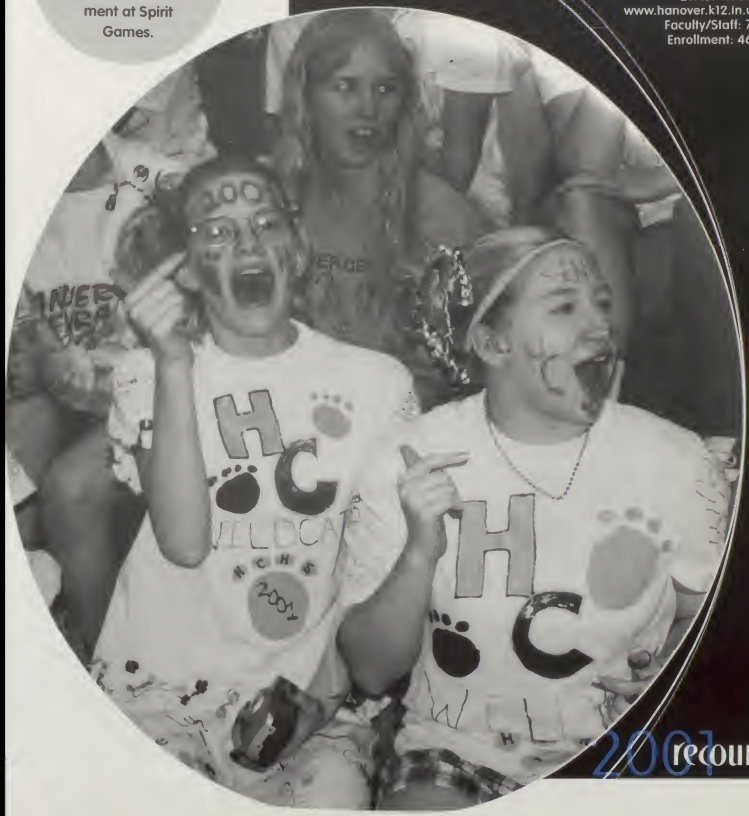
Counting on a senior victory, Danielle Devine, Andrea Ward, and Stephanie Quinn raise the level of excitement at Spirit Games.



2001 recount

we're

ready to recount

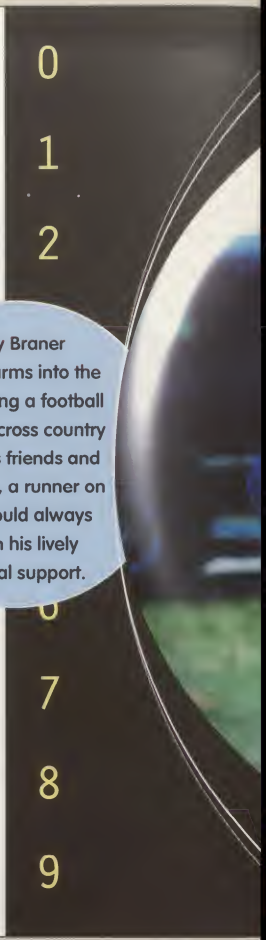
RECOUNT ***(n):*** an additional (usually a second) count; especially of the votes in a close election. (www.dictionary.com) Election recount; political or popular? The 2000 Presidential election prompted this very question. With recount upon recount, 33 days after the November 4 election we finally had a president-elect. That also prompted the question, "What is worth recounting?"

RECOUNT ***(v):*** narrate or give a detailed account of; "tell what happened." (www.dictionary.com) Throughout the school year bitter and sweet things took place and the yearbook is expected to cover roughly all of them for future reference. With the start of the bowling team, students with a natural talent to bowl finally had the chance to show it off. In the team's first season, Lynn Savickas earned a trip to regionals. What a start!

And what about the boys' varsity basketball team? Even though they didn't get a win, they were just a few points away from the sectional championship game.

Unfortunately, the recount included some sad changes. The sudden and tragic death of Lindsay Parks on November 25 took everyone by surprise, and math teacher Barbara Williams finally lost her long battle with cancer on December 3.

Then there were the odd things, making laughter inevitable. When juniors took the ASVAB, who could forget the instructor? "She was very strict, and the way she had the questions memorized was kinda freaky. No normal person memorizes questions to tests," Danielle Eiermann said. Her attitude would have brought tears to the fiercest drill instructor's eyes. We were amused.



Tony Braner throws his arms into the air after punting a football for fun at the cross country regionals. His friends and sister, Melissa, a runner on the team, could always count on his lively moral support.

AT THE END of the cross country regionals at Lemon Lake, Rich Dobin recounts the race and gets his time from Mr. Kowalczyk. "It was a hard race," Rich said, "but I finished it."

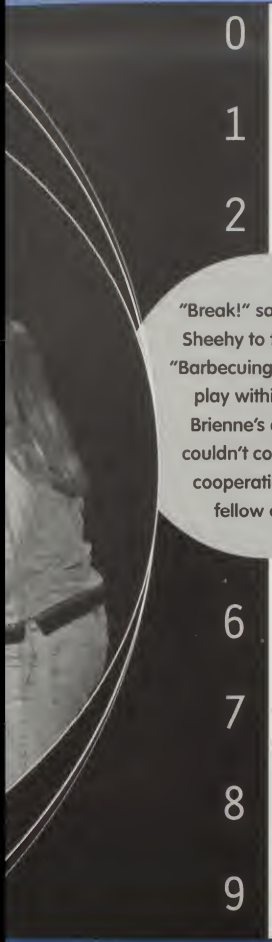
NO NEED TO WORRY about counting measures, as Marty Law keeps the pep band tempo. A talented drummer, he replaced Bernard Andres who moved in 2000. Ironically, Marty, had to move in mid-year.

IT WASN'T EXACTLY a day for counting calories in Mrs. Jean Kirk's fifth-hour class as her aide, April Shalvis, celebrates Mardi Gras with homemade king cake.

RECALLING THE FALL, one of the student organizations brings a "scare" to the community with the entry in Cedar Lake's Chamber of Commerce fall decorating competition.

"THE NUTCRACKER" plays in countless performances throughout the holiday season. Adam Suarez, one of Mrs. Lonnie Gromit's French students, had the opportunity to interact with Edward Jennings of the Indiana Ballet Theatre of Northwest Indiana after the show.

MCLYN KIENZLE [illegible] Cedar Lake Hulling's [illegible] [illegible] "The Tender Mercies" [illegible] [illegible] Kienzle [illegible]



"Break!" says Brienne Sheehy to the cast of "Barbecuing Hamlet." A play within a play, Brienne's character couldn't count on the cooperation of her fellow actors.

we'll

milk it to the end

With everyone's eyes on him, junior Sean Meehan attempted the impossible. During lunch Josh Arflin dared him to drink an entire gallon of milk. Being Sean Meehan, he felt he had a certain reputation to uphold and accepted the dare. In spite of his full-blown attempt to drink the milk, science took full swing. For some reason, the human body cannot digest an entire gallon of milk and whatever Sean drank came right back up. "Tyra Banks said in her 'Got Milk?' ad that she only dates guys that drink milk. I thought this would increase my chances," Meehan said. "Furthermore, the aliens that live inside me need milk to run their space ship so that they can return to their home planet, Spurbengerg."

The phrase, "Time flies when you're having fun," fell right into place here. Even though students might say they dislike school, it was a place to learn and rendezvous with friends countless times. After all, when we leave the halls of Hanover, we will probably find the outside world is not as understanding. "I don't really know, it's just one of those things in life we're just going to have to experience," Adam Walker said. You can count on that–again and again and again.

making life COUNT

From the moment of its late-summer conception, the year spawned a rash of surprises and delights. It wasn't just the routine gut check of the tardy bell or curling up in a fetal position on test day. No, it meant every day brought with it something to special recall; something to recount.

VARIETY is the spice of life and school-color hair and make-up for Spirit Week gives sophomore Jennifer Burroughs plenty of that. Students who dressed up earned Spirit Jug points for their class, which the senior class won (again).

COUNTLESS passes through clothing and limbs makes the Spoon Game tricky to follow. The object of the game was to be the first class to pass a spoon attached to string through a line of classmates. The seniors won this event, too.

another Fancy dance

A short evening with an endless line for pictures made for a limited edition of memories

"Homecoming Dance was fun but it would have been better if it was longer," senior Nagisa Banks said. "Two hours is not enough time to dance, get pictures, and do the court. Overall, I had a really good time."

Beautiful decorations, romantically dimmed lights, and one really long line for pictures. Senior Josh Davis said, "We basically had to stand in line the entire dance; which ruined a lot of people's night."

The music was DJed by Joe Panziano and John Sabaitis. Everyone had his or her opinions about the music. Junior Anna Law said, "...after I dragged a few people out on the dance floor it was pretty cool." Robyn Arwood agreed, "...not everybody listens to Ricky Martin...it ended up being an ok dance." In reality, though, most people did like the music.

Royalty for the December 1 festivities included freshmen Jaclyn Kienzle and Brandon Hegg, sophomores Melissa Braner and Nick Urena, juniors Jamie Jenkins and Adam Van Gorp. Queen and King were Kelly Garrett and Roger Niemeyer. Garrett said, "I was really excited because I didn't think that I had a chance to win." Niemeyer noted,"I was very surprised. It made it even better being crowned by my older brother, I couldn't have been happier."

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lady in red

swinging it 'bugs' style

socialization

It made it even better being crowned by my older brother, I couldn't have been

HAPPIER!

—Homecoming King Roger Niemeyer

sleeping beauty

I could not ask for more

beginning of a new reign

seniors Dominate again

Momentum built in the juniors' bid to unseat the seniors' stranglehold on the Spirit Jug until one senior literally had an unlucky break

Tony Braner literally took one for the team. As a senior member of the Flipper Race team, he broke both bones on his left arm and the big toe on his right foot. Still, he had enough strength to make it to the dance later that night. After a short break to see if he was all right, he made a statement to the senior class, "Go Seniors." His words inspired the seniors, who took this personally and never looked back.

Early on, the juniors racked up first place points. After Braner's injury, however, the seniors took first place in every remaining event. In the end, the seniors beat the juniors by seven points.

The funniest thing to watch was the tug-of-war game between the freshmen and seniors. The freshmen knew they were outnumbered from the beginning. After the seniors were just about ready to beat them, the freshmen sent in their reserves to counter against the seniors. The seniors retaliated and the freshmen sent everyone they had on the attack. The seniors held their ground. Then they finally let go, sending the helpless freshmen to the floor. Both teams were disqualified, but later got a second chance.

Trash talking was the biggest thing to happen. The seniors taunted, "Go home freshmen!" Even English teacher Brett Wright felt the wrath of the AP English students shouting, "Macbeth!" –a double reference to the book and when Braner, a thespian, took his fall. Myths said that this play is cursed when called by its name and acted in a theatre-like atmosphere. Clearly, he gave new meaning to the dramatic phrase, "break a leg."

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i think i can, i think i can
The seniors, not used to taking second place in this event, can only watch as juniors Jan Howe and Adam Van Gorp pull with all their might to win first place in the tug-of-war. The freshmen finished last in this game.

stringing goodness
In the "Spoon Race," seniors Nate Staley and Jerrod Martin tangle their talents by pilling a spoon attached to a string through their clothes and passing it on down the line of seven classmates.

"go home, freshmen!"
Danielle Devine sports the latest fashion of the senior class and restarts the famous chant, "Go Home, Freshmen!" The chant was prompted by an unexpected match-up between the two classes when the juniors upset the seniors for the tug-of-war title.

"YOU'D THINK WE COULD HAVE CAUGHT A LITTLE BREAK!"
– TONY BRANER
on the seniors' scoring just before breaking his toe and arm during the Flipper Race

taking one for the team
Tony Kimber receives medical attention after he took his fall during the Kipper Race. Although he broke both bones in his left leg and had the ball ripped out right first, he still managed to persuade the seniors to vanquish the Spirit Jug competition.

the worm returns
Seniors Hillary Smith and Susan Fitzgerald demonstrate "the worm" on the gym floor after the seniors replace another Spirit Games victory.

umm umm good
Freshmen Robin Minor, Jodi Courtney Kennon enjoy the great taste of toilet paper in the all-purpose multiway wrapping event that saw the seniors grab another first place finish.

no sore losers!

Junior Miss was full of close competition and loads of fun for the senior contestants, but no one begrudged the sore-throated winner

Cedar Lake's newest Junior Miss was Brienne Sheehy. Ironically, she also won the Fitness Award even as she battled strept throat at the same time. In spite of her illness, Brienne earned the chance to compete for the state Junior Miss title, which took place in Frankfort – and preferably without an infection.

Some contestants pointed out the annual program wasn't actually a pageant, but a way to compete for scholarships. Other award winners included Kristy Brownd, Spirit of Junior Miss; Jillian Janicki, second runner-up; Becky Scherer, Performing Arts; Kelly Garrett, first runner-up; Lindsay Shelby, Scholastic Achievement; Christine Wajvoda, Creative Arts; and Rebecca VanLear, Presence & Appearance and Judge's Interview winner.

"You get to know more about the girls in your grade," Leslee Kaper recalled. According to Sheehy, "My favorite moment (of Junior Miss) was Kirby (Heidel) at the sleepover."

Junior Miss held barrels of fun for the competitors whether they won or not. All of the contestants said they were very excited about the competition. And when asked what she would have changed about the competition, Sheehy replied, "I would have chosen not to have strept throat." Fair enough.

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swaying in anticipation

and have a smile

and the winner is...

– I WOULD HAVE CHOSEN NOT TO HAVE

STREPT THROAT!

having a good time

[illegible]

focus on the board

[illegible]

spell of junior miss

[illegible]

we make Excitement
and a little money

Cashing in on spare time–when we could find it

After school, teens went home to energize with their hobbies and free time. Students with after-school hobbies kept busy until school commenced again. Students had plenty to do each and every day whether it was participating in a sport, special interest, or just hanging out with friends. Some had to juggle school five days a week and negotiate a schedule of extracurricular activities, clubs, sports, jobs, and a spare moment or two. When possible, we squeezed in a few cheap thrills.

"I tried to find time to skateboard down the street when I got home after school," senior Eric Lambert said. But some were more sedate. "My favorite hobby that I did everyday after school was going on the Internet and chatting with my friends," senior Matt Wiarda said.

For those who had to budget money as well as time, there was work at the restaurants in town, department stores at the mall, or the local theater.

Whether students collected sports cards, played video games, surfed the Internet, chatted with friends, or collected those lovable beanie babies that everyone just had to have starting a few years back.

"I loved to collect Star Wars memorabilia because that is my favorite movie of all time," senior Jeff Skorupa noted. A highly personal way to spend some time, hobbies became a true labor of love.

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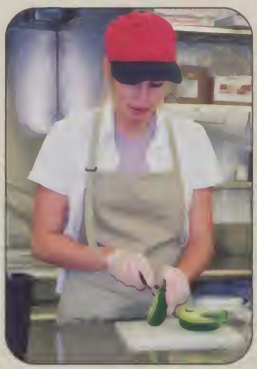
bratwurst anyone?
Roger Niemeyer cooks some bratwurst outside for Mrs. Jean Kirk's fifth-hour class. "I'm not sure if I want to be a chef, but I really like to cook," he said.



pepper prep
Whether it was peppers or pepperoni, senior Andreo Starn prepares pizza and deli items at Casey's General Store.

workout time
Not everyone knows that junior Lisa Jaranowski loves to lift weights and workout. Everyday after school and before work she is in her basement lifting weights or outside on her roller blades circling the neighborhood.

"I TRIED TO FIND TIME TO SKATEBOARD DOWN THE STREET..."

– ERIC LAMBERT
on how he likes to spend his free time

perfect positioning
Robyn Arwood and Andrew Couwenhoven work at Wahlberg Photography. On this night, Ryan Henderlong demonstrates with them the right position for dance pictures. "We volunteered to do this so photographers could be trained the right way," Robyn said.

internet interests
Lauren Powlak's favorite hobby is going on the Internet and chatting with her Internet friends or checking her e-mails. "I don't have a job, so this is what I do to keep myself busy," she said.

bearing Down
on the faculty

Coach Ron Szanyi defects to the other side as the Chicago Bears invade the Wildcat Den in an evening of fun and fund raising

Donning a Bear's jersey, Coach Ron Szanyi was introduced along with Marty Booker, Roosevelt Colvin, Marlin Barnes, and Otis Wilson as the faculty took on the Chicago Bears in basketball. Szanyi filled in for Bryan Robinson, who apparently couldn't find the school.

The game was staged as a fund-raising event for the freshman class. When Army staff sergeant Aaron Boetsch heard about the game, he wanted to find some way of participating. Besides playing in the game, refereeing it would be the next best thing. Sgt. Boetsch got that exact duty, along with Cedar Lake Police Officer Jerry Smith.

"The referees did a pretty good job keeping the game fun," JV coach Mike Steele said. They realized that the whole event was for the fans and they did as little as possible to mess it up. They made a few bad calls, but then again, I've never seen a good referee before."

With time running out in the fourth quarter, the faculty needed to do something drastic or suffer the same fate as the boys' varsity basketball team. When the referees allowed Greg Whitacre to become the sixth man on the court, the entire Hanover staff cleared the bench and the Bears faced a multitude of talent. Ranging from Steele's vertical leaps to Mrs. Maggie Hektoen's agility, the staff was able to rack up a few more points. However, when the 10 minutes were up, the Bears, along with Szanyi, came out on top, 92-75.

"The Hanover staff and coaches who participated had a blast," freshmen class sponsor Wendy Obrenski said. The crowd did, too.

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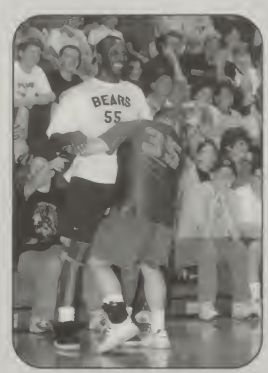
delighted to
Marlin Barnes, along with other Bears, stayed after the game to sign autographs and have pictures taken with fans. Barnes said he was delighted to participate in the freshman fund-raising event with Hanover's faculty



showing his affection
Moments after Otis Wilson passes the ball to a team member, Greg Whitacre embraces him in a menacing bear hug. Later on in the game Whitacre lead the faculty out onto the court in an attempt to take the lead.

cats' can leap
JV Coach Mike Steele gets a few more inches on the jump ball then one of the Chicago Bears and hurls the ball backward. Later in the game Steele showed everyone he he could in fact dunk

"They realized the whole event was for the fans"
– Mr. Mike Steele
faculty member

close, but no cigar
Showing the faculty that he can dunk, Marty Baker attempts the ominous leap but actually missed the hoop. Whenever a dunk was performed principal Joseph Fetty's face was filled with terror, hoping the backboard would not shatter.

stripes or camouflage?
Watching Jim Hunley announce the players, Sgt. Aaron Boetsch waits to see how good of a referee he actually is. On a normal day, Sgt. Boetsch was seen around school recruiting students for a future in the Army.

that's gotta hurt
After going for a lay-up Maggie Hektoen gets leveled by Otis Wilson. However, Hektoen evened the score with Wilson by leaping into his arms.

tooting our own horn

The juniors set the stage and made it the highlight of the seniors' year, thanks to lots of balloons, noise makers and plain old hard work

With continuous noise from the fire alarm (caused by the DJ's fog machine), music from the DJ booth, and chatter, prom night was spectacular. Everyone danced, talked, and ate all night long. Class co-sponsors Collen Darnell and Lisa Koester managed to make it all look sparkly.

About the middle of the dance, the Sound Factory DJ asked a couple of guys to wear some hats and perform the Village People's "YMCA" in front of everyone. And typical of the guys from Hanover, they would do anything. They got ready and when the song came on, they marched in proudly and ready to dance. There was an uproar of laughing and hollering, but it turned out to be a pretty good idea.

"I'd like to thank the juniors for a great prom," Rich Dobin said. "It was sweet and I had fun." He was part of the "YMCA" number as well as Mike Wick, Don Kors, Jon Howe, Brian "Bugs" Bugajski, Eric Hegg, and some guests from other schools.

In keeping with some tradition, though, the night was romantic and elegant. Couples enjoyed the night of dancing and gazing into each other's eyes while everyone partied into the night.

While only about 50 couples attended last year's prom, this year there were more than double that number. Special guests included Principal and Mrs. Joseph Fetty, Assistant Principal and Mrs. Douglas Justus, as well as Joy McColley, Steven Landis, and Laura Marzotto, who chaperoned.

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just hanging out

show it off girl!

"It had fun and it was

SWEET!"

Ruth Dobin

staring love right in the face

king and queen

what's hangin'?

a style of their own

step By step, inch by inch

Nothing else took this much patience, but the day finally arrived when the Class of 2001 could take that very large step and walk into the real world.

Since their first days of school, students dreamed of the day when they would graduate and leave school for good. The dreams, though, couldn't really predict the future.

When graduation rolled around student emotions were mixed. Some were glad while others could not help but shed a few tears. However, as their final hours passed at Hanover some remained unsure about leaving the secure halls and venturing out into a world where the economy had started to shrink.

Nearly every senior had some kind of plans for after high school. Of course there were the numerous graduation parties scattered throughout the month of June. But everyone had to have a long-term plan. Whether it was starting all over again at college, enlisting in the military, or entering the work force, the training wheels were off and the next step was toward independence.

"I will have more freedom to do what I want," Adam Walker said. "Some days you have classes and some days you don't." Walker planned to attend IUN and pursue a career in conservation.

The hype for graduation began early in the year and grew as the year went on. By the Friday before graduation it all sunk in. All that remained was a quick senior breakfast and taking a group photo early in the morning. They finished with commencement rehearsal, led by co-valedictorians Jillian Gorny and Jillian Janicki, and salutatorian Lindsay Shelby.

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a final fling
As principal Joseph Fetty says, "Let's congratulate the graduates of the Class of 2001," the air is filled with caps and tassels to mark the moment. Although most seniors recovered their own caps, a few had to track down their rightful owners.

daddy's girl
On the receiving end of a huge hug from her father, Jenn Malik knows how proud her family is of her. Of course, every parent was proud of their graduate and ventured down from the bleachers at the end of the ceremony.

here i come
In his last official act as a senior, Brad Bissel takes the steps down the stairs toward the adult world. Actually, the last step was returning to school the next day to pick up the actual diplomas and class photos.

"Some days you have classes and some days you don't"
– Adam Walker
on the important differences between high school and college

sharing a smile
Excitement runs through Erin Maloney on graduation day. For many, the day was one of the best of their lives. It was also bittersweet as it meant leaving some friends behind. For Erin, this was a great day that she and her family will never forget.

oh, happy day
April Shalvis on any other day didn't like having her picture taken, but today is the exception. "This is the best day of my life," she said.

yeah, baby!
As Andrea Burdant starts down the stairs holding on to the rail she realizes, as did many others, that her sleeve is caught. It didn't matter, though, because this day belonged to the seniors and nothing really could go wrong.

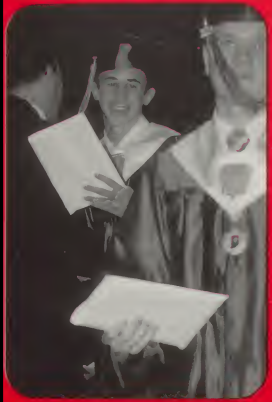
counting down to zero

smile!

hours of joy

a little help

oh, happy days!



standing (mostly) for a cause

ready or not here we come

Graduation meant new beginnings, but real world experience makes or breaks those who are about to face the challenge of life.

During graduation many speeches were given, some lengthier than others, but they were well worth it. Principal Joseph Fetty delivered a speech on success and failure in an attempt to motivate the graduates to strive to be their best. But there was fun, too. Chris Huseman and Andy Miller both wore special garments shipped to them from Hawaii. When the graduation was completed the gym erupted in tears, laughter and endless hugs. It was a scene celebrated in countless schools across the country, but there was only one for Hanover Central's Class of 2001.

"What I am going to miss the most about being here at Hanover for seven years (junior/high school) was spending time with my friends day in and day out," senior Chris Reh said .

Commencement wasn't quite the last obligation seniors had. The graduates had to return to school the next day to pick up their diplomas, panorama class photos, and some honors certificates. Still, it wasn't a very big price to pay in order to have commencement a week earlier than undergraduate dismissal.

Not everyone was happy about it, though. "It was pointless for us to come back to school for just three hours and then leave," graduate Nick Medrano said. Maybe there wasn't a great deal of education taking place, but it did provide one last time for graduates to be together before taking on the real world.

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"I am going to miss the time spent with my

FRIENDS.


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Giving us Recountability

Whether in the classroom or as part of a group, students made their efforts pay off in more ways than one. From Tim Schotke's National Merit Scholarship to Key Club's tireless fundraising and local service activities, everyone could count on us to come through in the end. And no one could count us out.

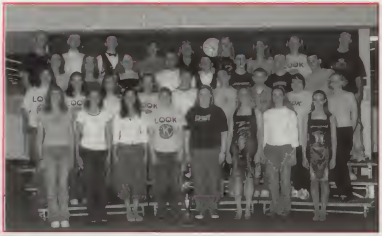
WE COULD ALWAYS COUNT ON our childhood superheros to save the day. Tony Braner and Paul Metz portray two of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles fighting evil as part of the novelty number at Swing Choir's annual Spectacular.

COUNTING THE MONEY, Sarah Haur of WalMart presents Kirby Heindel a check for a $1,000 scholarship at the annual Awards Night. Heindel also received a variety of other academic honors for the evening.

oh so cold...
Senior Amber Westerhaff and Junior Beth Wendlinger share a laugh at Cardbaum Box night, although members discovered real hamelessness is laughing matter. Bad weather and no roof would have made the problem even worse.

Key Club freshmen and sophomores

Front: Kelly Rauguth, Krystle Reh, Samontha Yonke, Trisha Sheehy, Fallan Mirich, Julie Tilak, Amanda Huffnagle, Carrie Talbert, Shannan Phillips, Krysta Grass, and Tiffany Barker. **Row 2:** Nick Surprise, Rachel May, Katie Westerhaff, Megan Myers, Bess Capak, Rachel Andersan, Karroh Adam, Ashley Sautter, Geneva Parter, and Billy Rickey. **Row 3:** Nicole Granger, Angela Wilt, Lydia Mastey, Melanie Rasinko, Miranda Spindler, Nicole Paper, Jacinda James, Melissa Broner, Jaclyn Kienzle, and Stacey Huppenthol. **Row 4:** Katie Jacobsen, Laura Jens, Jillian McElmurry, Lynn Pokrojac, Ryan May, Katie Burke, Liz Bilinski, Jennifer McMullin, Danielle Derisi, and Rachel Graham **Back:** Sarah Wolton, Liz Rocks, Eric Hegg, Daug Bilinski, Jen Mantgamery, Katie Kanlaka, Melissa Sabkawicz, Lindsey Allen, Courtney Keilman, and Mary Joan Dicksan, spansar.



Key Club juniors and seniors

Front: Lindsey Shelby, Megan McElmurry, Kristine Egyed, Jill Kienzle, Danielle Eiermann, Becky VonLear, Brienne Sheehy, and Danielle Huffnagle. **Row 2:** Beth Wendlinger, Adrienne Shraka, Leslee Koper, Kelly Garrett, Adam Itczak, Brian Mirich, Jesse James, spansar Mary Jaan Dicksan, and Melady Willy. **Row 3:** Stephonie Huppenthal, Amanda Kaeling, Becky Scherer, Charlie Sears, Tany Braner, Adam Koskela, Croig Schatke, and Josh Arflin. **Back:** Keith Buikema, Sean Meehan, Eric Yukan, Babby Ostrawski, Shannon McLoughlin, Julie Maniok, Bridget Castner, Amber Westerhoff, and Rich Dabin **Not Pictured:** Dave Guzaski.

The Key Club members present Bryan Martin with a $1000 check to help pay for his medical expenses and hopes that he gets well soon.

Success a hundred times over

a winning bunch
At the annual convention held in Fort Wayne, Jon Howe, Kelly Garrett, Amber Westerhaff, sponsor Mary Joan Dickson, Adrienne Shroka, and Charlie Sears celebrate their awards and honors presented for excellence in the club.

the best there was
Key Club treasurer Amber Westerhaff earns the Distinguished Club Treasurer award at the state convention for her efforts as one of the state's best Key Club treasurers.

Talk about a busy organization. With over 100 members for the first time in their history and various activities throughout the year, these members were busy every month of the year. Nearly one in four students were part of this organization.

Among the major events were Jane Ball's Haunted Gym, MDA basketball and bowling, night out in a cardboard box, and their annual banquet in Fort Wayne. In the Haunted Gym, Key Club members put on two scenes and one scary kiddie scene that they acted out for the kids at Jane Ball. That same night, they went around local neighborhoods and participated in the Trick or Treat for UNICEF sponsored by TNT.

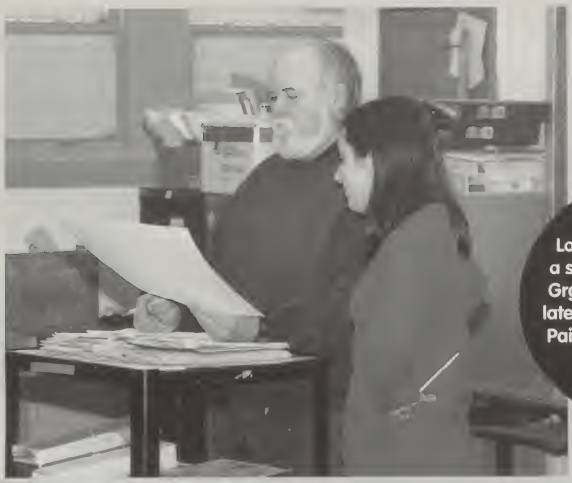
They participated in Bowling for the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) that raised a good chunk of change and helped with the basketball sales, also for MDA, which helps people who have muscular problems in their bodies.

At their yearly convention in Fort Wayne, Key Club received a Platinum award for having over 100 members. Kelly Garrett and Amber Westerhoff were named outstanding president and treasurer. Mary Joan Dickson won the distinct advisor award at the convention.

Cardboard Box Night gave members a taste of what it would be like to be homeless without a house over your head. The weather was decent and junior Adrienne Shroka said, "We had a great time at the cardboard box night out. It was a good way to help raise money, have fun, and help others, which is what Key Club is all about."

Key Club raised over $7000 and members combined for over 9000 hours of community service and meetings. They really showed what this organization can do with a little help from everybody and that proved if you put your mind to it anything was possible.

"I really had a great time as president and it paid off in the long run."
–Kelly Garrett, Key Club president



Art teacher Louis Greer critiques a sketch by Mary Ann Grgic. The sophomore later won "Outstanding Painting" at Hanover's own spring art show.

Being 'blue' can be fun after all

If seeing Blue Man Group was a number one priority, you should have joined the Art Club. On Mother's Day, club members, some parents and faculty ventured to the Briar Street Theater in Chicago to view the popular performance art show.

"We like to expose our club members to cultural activities that they might not get out side of school," sponsor Louis Greer said.

Art students also went about their annual raffle ticket sale which was the club's only way of raising money. However, when a great piece of work happened to come along, the artist jumped on the opportunity to send it to competition. Some students earned awards and cash prizes. For example, "Escaping Perfection," a painting by Jeff Skorupa, won Best of Show and a scholarship at the sixth annual Secondary School Showcase in Valparaiso.

"We like to expose our club members to cultural activities..."
–Louis Greer, Art Club sponsor

I can see my house
Pointing at some art work encased in glass, senior Eric Hegg enjoys a Windy City field trip. The art club members went to Chicago to see some of the world-class galleries there.

Art Club freshmen and sophomores

Front: Leslie Malik, Misty Clingerman, Jacinda James, Ashley Walkawiak, Cassie Freeman, and Amanda Hildebrandt. **Row 2:** Jaclyn Kienzle, Sarah Csikas, Wes Van Gundy, Mary Ann Grgic, Fallon Mirich, Melanie Rasinka. **Row 3:** Adam McKee, Alicia Walkawiak, Lyndsie Vitala, Nicole Pempek, April Barnes, and Louis Greer. **Back:** Bryan Redeagle, Joel Barmann, Edgar Favela, Grace Klein, Liz Bilinski, Danielle Derisi, and Nichole Paper.

Art Club juniors and seniors

Front: Nicole Hoover, Kristy Brawnd, Jennifer Malik, Melady Willy. **Back:** Louis Greer, Danielle Eiermann, Jeff Skarupa, Josh Arflin, and Jenny Smith.

eden's garden
"I started this painting because I liked the drawing I did of it. I didn't really think the painting lived up to the drawing, however. I think that the painting is ate-up," senior Kristy Brownd said.

drawing is fun
Sitting in Mr. Greer's room, freshman Jaclyn Keinzle is engrossed in her drawing. She said she expresses her thoughts through her art.

mantel's monster
Recalling same schaal spirit, seniar Chirs Mantel sculpted an enarmaus cat (even if it really is a liger. The paper maché madel was finely detailed right dawn ta the whiskers.

whadda ya' mean, strike?
Infatuated with baseball, Eric Galla puts an oversized bat into the hands of his mini-slugger. Eric's inspiratian came as a member af the baseball team.

cute as a button
April Barnes' happy little rag doll was a labar af lave. The adoring little figure cansists af waad beads and spaals strung together, buttans and saft stuffing.

hot stuff
With Eric Lambert producing wild pieces of art, it was tough for students to ignore his talent. It was also tough to ignore the engaging young artist's amazing and ever-changing hairstyles.

Senior Jeff Skorupa won Best of Show and a scholarship at the Valparaiso University art show with, "Escaping Perfection." Judges noted they were impressed with his bold use of orange, the color of the subject's shirt.

Art studios forge and refine raw talent

the glory of green
Although hard to see in black and white, Kristen Skorupa's watercolor incorporated a vast array of green hues with a spash of firey red-orange flowers in the foreground. It was featured at the annual spring art show, juried by former Hanover art teacher Sharon Cotoldi.

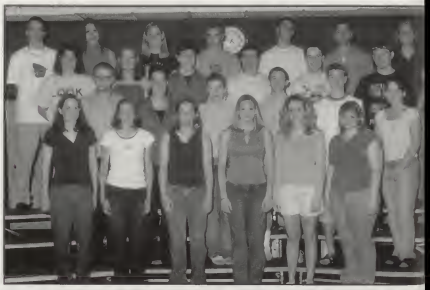
Between Louis Greer and Cheryl Muehlman's two art rooms, both factories for molding budding talent, students were not only prolific in generating work, they were honored with critical acclaim.

Possibly the most successful, senior Jeff Skorupa was honored extensively at a variety of local exhibits and shows. His talent even earned him top honors at Valparaiso University's prestigious annual exhibit. His sister, Kristen, followed in the family footsteps and took the award for outstanding sophomore art at Hanover's spring show. Her entry was a decorative ceramic box.

Also honored for oustanding work at the spring show were seniors Cassie Speichert, sculpture; Chris Mantel, sculpture; and Kristy Brownd, painting. Juniors included Emi Mastey, painting; Brian Strezelecki, sculpture; and Erik Mantel, sculpture. Freshman April Barnes won oustanding art honors for her watercolors, while junior Jamie Jenkins won for Outstanding Photography. Junior Heather Burkhardt and freshman Liz Bilinksi won recognition at areas shows, too.

the officers cometh
Kelly Garrett, Christine Wojvoda, Kirby Heindel, and Jillian Janicki light the friendship candle before reading their speeches.

lighting candles
Senior Dean Nelson and junior Julie Moniak light each others' candles in a traditional ceremony of the annual induction.



getting pinned
The long wait is over as senior Andy Miller receives his membership pin from member Brian Bugajski. The pinning marked Andy as an official member of the society.

National Honor Society
Front: Adrienne Shroka, Megan McElmurry, Kelly Garrett, Megan Vassar, Jillian Garny, and Stephanie Geraci. **Row 2:** Charlie Sears, Rachel Laud, Stacy Ploskonka, Tony Broner, Adam Itczak, and Kirby Heindel. **Row 3:** Beth Wendlinger, Amanda Koeling, Paul Metz, Brian Bugajski, Christopher Reh, and Dan Deatherage. **Back:** Dave Guzaski, Christine Wojvoda, Julie Moniak, Dean Nelson, Chris Montel, Tim Schotke, and Shannon McLaughlin. **Not Pictured:** Sponsor Millie Postma.

The wait is finally over for these new inductess of the National Honor Society. They were chosen by the inductee staff for their hard work and leadership.

Rollin' in the dough(nuts)

At the beginning of the year, Honor Society decided they wanted to do something different instead of selling candy for their fund-raiser. Vice president Jillian Janicki suggested they sell Krispy Kreme® doughnuts. It was a good move.

This idea turned into reality in March when the honor society sold their doughnuts to everybody around town. They bought them like they had never eaten anything in their whole lives. Some people had already tried these doughnuts at distant Krispy Kreme® restaurants, while others were sold on the pastries by word of mouth alone. Box after box of the glazed treats flew out the door. "I simply loved these doughnuts!" junior Mike Case explained. The members of honor society sold about 9,000 doughnuts and raised about $1,900 profit for their organization. More importantly, this was a better fund-raiser than the candy sales which normally genertaed about $1,000 profit.

The National Honor Society also introduced a new sponsor, Millie Postma, to the group. The veteran teacher brought years of teaching and counseling experience to the table as an added benefit to the organization.

"I simply loved these doughnuts!"
–Mike Case

Buckling down, senior Andrea Stam works on the wrestling team pages at the back of Mr. Frazier's room. "Andrew catches me on the worst days," she said of the photographer.

Recounting the days in small ways

"Everyday is fun-filled, I can't remember a day that has been boring," Cybercat staff member Lauren Pawlak said of the online news staff experience. Besides reporting, the staff knew how to have fun. From field trips to eating cake, the staff also maintained an up-to-date web site. Advising others who considered joining, Elizabeth Gonsiorowski commented, "Do it! It's fun!"

A tiny yearbook staff faced several obstacles, but they were effective. With only five rookies and one returnee, the staff had to learn the production processes, complete work on the 2000 Key, and create the 2001 Key all at the same time. Still, they enjoyed the challenge. Staffers brought CDs everyday and the room was filled with music as well as intense work. "Yearbook is fun, but I get picked on by the boys who make up the rest of the class," Andrea Burandt said.

"Yearbook is challenging, but fun. We constantly have to turn things in on time. If not, people will fall behind."

–Dave Guzaski

testing... testing... On a field trip to the Illinois Center for Broadcasting, Aaron Rush tries his hand at an audition tape for an ice cream commercial. The trip was set up for publications students to learn more about other kinds of careers in journalism besides news and yearbook.

getting some inspiration

Junior Anna Law, wrote the horoscope column for CyberCat until her family moved to the Hobart school district at midyear. April Shalvis joined the staff at semester and took the job

editor-in-training

As a reward for her excellence in writing, Heather Staniszeski was named CyberCat editor-in-chief for the 2001-2002 school year

CyberCat staff

Front: Jenn Malik, Ryan Strode, Jasan Metz, April Shalvis, and Elizabeth Gansiorowski **Back:** Mike Mitchell, Aaron Rush, Eddie Roberts, Heather Staniszeski, and Lauren Pawlak **Not Pictured:** Mike Frazier, adviser.

The Key Yearbook staff

Front: Andrew Cauwenhaven, Christopher Reh, and Andrea Burandt. **Back:** Ryan Maloney, Mike Frazier, adviser; Dave Guzaski, and Nick Medrana.

havin' some fun
"While sitting in English class, Sean Meehan noticed some packaging wrap from Mr. Wright's new desks. Since all of his work was done, he decided to make himself a foam costume," classmate Brian Bugajski recalled.

final farewell
Losing Mr. Gene Rafo to retirement will be hard for Hanover. Known as a great teacher and an avid film buff, he will be impossible to replace after more than 30 years of experience.

spellbound team
Front: Billy Rickey, Jillian Janicki, and Tany Braner. **Back:** Amber Westerhoff, Stacy Ploskonka, Cathy Holmolka, and coach Sandy Kiechle.

working hard or hardly working
Freshman Megan Myers doodles on her book instead of paying attention during class. "Listening to lectures are really boring," she said, adding that she can't wait to be a senior and graduate from school.

Senior Ryan Otterman dresses up as Lady Macbeth for Mr. Wright, the A.P. English teacher. Wright had his kids perform skits from the "forbidden" play in class.

Curse of Macbeth hovers around Hanover

deanliness is next to godliness
Mrs. Sandy Kiechle rummages though a stack of papers getting ready for her next class. Mrs. Kiechle said she liked ta have things ready to go so she could get started teaching when her students arrived in the classraam.

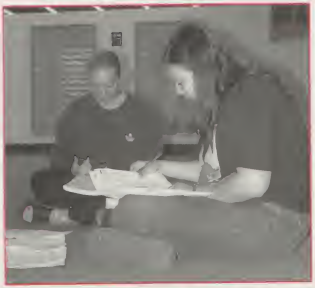
All year Macbeth's curse seemed to pull at Hanover one way or another. Senior Tony Braner broke his arm at Spirit Games only a few days after uttering the tragic character's name. Then the boys' varsity basketball team suffered from some kind of curse on them. Cleansing rituals were in order. "I felt retarded," senior Ryan Otterman said of having to dress in drag to end the madness, "but I had to do it so I could pass the class and graduate. Who wants to stay in school any longer than they have to? I want to get to IU Bloomington as fast as I can to get a job and make some fast cash." Maybe it wasn't as silly as he thought, but the girls seemed to have better luck during the school year. Lifting the curse didn't require bringing in a goat to walk around the school like the Chicago Cubs tried. Of course, the curse on the Cubs and the basketball team may have been stronger than even Shakespeare could conjure up.

"When things started happening, I got a little worried."
–Mr. Brett Wright
acknawledging Macbeth's curse before his classes performed rituals to end the bad luck

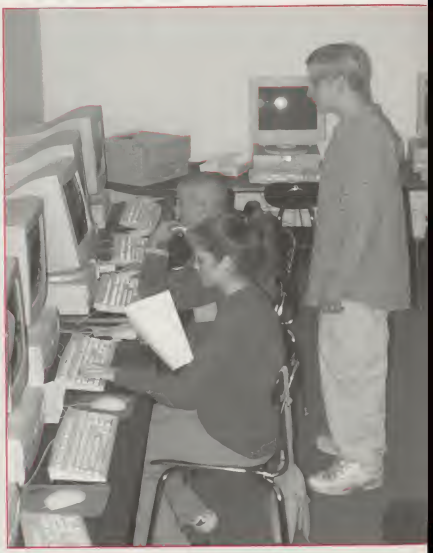
comfort zone
Junior Josh Pogel stretches out as he prepares for Ann Thompson's popular summer government class. "I took the class because I didn't want to worry about it next year," he said.

last-minute magic
Heather Staniszeski and Loren Rayburn cram really hard for a test since they decided to go out the night before. "I like studying government," Heather said, "It's fun."

studying hard
"This summer course (government) is great because you have more time to spend on one class," Brian Strzelecki said as he checked his notes for a quiz



don't fall asleep
The thing that Ron Schuilema doesn't like about summer classes is that, "It's keeping me from sleeping in and working." He said he liked the government class, though, because "it's easier to study and work on one class a day." A number of students remarked they liked the casual atmosphere, though they usually did sit in chairs in classrooms.



Popular with students looking to squeeze an extra class into their limited schedules, as well as for remediation, Ann Thompson's summer government class attracts Jessica Middleton and Andrew Couwenhoven.

Improving math skills
Stepping away from his own computer, Jeff Starke coaches Megan McGovern and Aaron Hughes on the school's A+ software program. The program enhances skills in math and English. "I took the (summer math) class because I need some credits," Jeff noted.

Summer school offers another credit check

While most students in summer school don't like waking up in the morning and coming to school, most of them didn't mind the classes. They appreciated the time that the teachers gave and the extra time they had to work.

"I think that it is easier to learn in summer school," Megan McGovern said, "because you have as long as you need to learn the material."

Students took the classes because they needed credit, had to meet ISTEP+ requirements, or just because their parents made them. Another reason some students took summer classes was because they ended after weeks instead of months. While they met for up to three hours a day, students said they received more one-on-one attention in the classroom.

"I am working on the A+ program with my friend, Amber Palmateer. I think using this program really enhances my math skills."
–Susan Wilkin in Pat Joyce's summer math class

take a bite
"The information in all the family and consumer science classes offered can be used throughout one's lifetime," Mrs. Jean Kin said. "I feel these are important life skills." Th veteran educator taug a variety of courses, including nutrition and wellness, advanced child development, parenting, advanced clothing and design, consumer economics, housing, orientation and life and careers, and interpersonal relationships.

baby bites
In the advanced Foods class, seniors Keith Krueger and Mike Wick search for a plastic baby inside their piece of Mardi Gras King cake. By tradition, the first to find the babies are crowned and then throw the next year's celebration. Each student group made different dishes to celebrate the annual Mardi Gras festival.

just chillin'
While testing the food everyone made, Mike Wick, Keith Krueger, Gail Michalski, and April Shalvis talk and joke around for a while. Krueger noted, "My foods class was the best class that I had all year, with the field trips and all the cooking fifth hour."

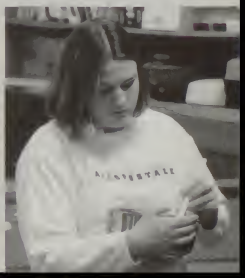
is it edible?
Would you bend over and smell food if you didn't know what it was? Seniors Mike Stamate and Roger Niemeyer try exotic specialties such as gumba, a Cajun main dish.

During the Halloween Kid's Day, Rachelle Cavender keeps company with two-year-old BranDee Amber Adam, who is disguised as a lady bug.

Not just kidding around

Mardi Gras wasn't the only focal point of Mrs. Jean Kirk's classes. She also taught high school students about young children and their emotional and physical needs. "I have nine different preps throughout the school year. At times, this can be overwhelming yet challenging," she said. But for high school students to have hands-on experience, her classes planned story, craft, and snack time for various "Kids Days." Kids Day brought children from infants to seven years of age into the classroom to participate in the activities planned by the high school students. Rachelle Cavender said, "The class was very informative. It prepared me a lot for motherhood."

"We had many good times and great learning experiences (in cooking)."
–Shannon McLaughlin on her Foods class



royal tradition
During the Mardi Gras celebration students try to get a piece of kings cake with a plastic baby baked inside. Seniors Mike Wick and Gail Michalski found the babies inside the traditional Mardi Gras dessert and Mrs. Kirk crowned them.

listen up
Leader Jillian Jonicki explains to everyone how the day is scheduled so there would be no confusion Although the day seemed to be filled with "controlled chaos," there was method to the madness.

energized entertainment
Senior Snowball member Brian Bugajski, warms up the junior high crowd during the beginning "energizers" for an eventful day. The day's messages mixed entertainment with sobering facts.

addictive behavior?
On the stage during the energizers, Snowflake staff members show the participants how to stick their tongues out, making them look like drug addicts.

loud and clear
One of the program's workshops focused on communication. Jeremy Deenik demonstrates a communication skill through another activity –yelling at a student trying to confuse him.

Senior leader Jillian Janicki blends a "weave" of sixth graders as a way to promote a sense of closeness and unity among peers at Snowflake.

Students don't let problems 'Snowball'

Senior Jillian Janicki, president of Snowball, observed, "Snowball's main objective was to teach students to make positive decisions and to be uplifting role models." Jillian was an active member of Snowball since her freshman year.

Students in the organization tried to teach other students in school about drug and alcohol prevention. They helped the community spread the word and enlisted people to join their main objective.

Snowball was involved in various activities, including events such as "Kick Butts Day," Red Ribbon Week, The Great American Smoke Out, 3-D Week, and Snowflurry. They also hung posters around the hallways and handed out information on drug and alcohol prevention during lunch hours.

At Snowflurry they taught younger students about drug and alcohol prevention. Staff members distributed "warm fuzzies," strips of yarn for students to give to others as a message of caring. That made everyone feel real good about themselves. They explored in detail why they shouldn't do drugs or drink alcohol. They also gave a tour of the school to potential students in the near future. Junior Andrew Couwenhoven noted, "I really enjoyed the interaction with the younger students so they can understand that it's not good to be doing drugs and alcohol."

"I really enjoyed myself in Snowball and learned a lot from Jillian Janicki!"
–Ryan Strode

Amy Lee
Before the day began, Grace Klein puts the finishing touch on folders given to the elementary participants. Planning for the Snowflake program took months, leading up to the final day

The band warms up before the spring concert and just after director John Gorball found his truck covered with toilet paper and plastic wrap.

Band takes third north of the border

Leaving on two buses at 11:00 at night, most of the students slept most of the ride. In Toronto, the band students visited two malls, Parliament, the Casa Loma Castle, the CN tower, and other tourist attractions. The day after arriving in Toronto, the band competed in the music festival at York University where they received a rating of good and placed third.

Not only did the band perform well at the festival, the members had lots of fun. With more goods than bads, the whole trip was a success and showed that director John Gorball's band was a talented group of students.

"The trip was excellent, we saw many neat things in a short amount of time, and we had a lot of fun," Gorball commented.

"I am so hungry, ummmm!"

–Ryan Maloney, on snacking during a pep band break

taking a little break

At every band concert director John Gorball takes time to tell the audience the name of the next number. This actually served two purposes. It kept the audience's attention and it gave the band a quick break to catch their breath.

editor's note

A special thanks goes out to all of the Band Boosters who worked so hard to make the Toronto trip happen. Without their efforts and support, this trip would not have been possible.

concert band

Front: Megan Myers, Shannon Philips, Liz Gonsiorowski, Heather Hayden, Heather Iwinski, Krista Gross, Tiffany Barker, Tiffany Burgess, and Billy Rickey **Row 2:** Mike Staples, Alicia Anderson, Ryan Strode, Erin Maloney, Kira Adams Kristine Dillard, Ashley Sautter, Geneva Porter, and Brian Bisset **Row 3:** Director John Garball, Jana Rinerson, Rachel Laud, Devon Dargle, Geraldo Hernandez, Stephanie Roedel, Lydia Mastey, Angela Witt, Rachel May, Jason Metz, and Anthony Way **Row 4:** Loren Rayburn, Katie Jacobsen, Amanda Koeling, Ryan May, John Hardesty, Liz Knowles, Mark Busch, Ryan Puppy, Wyatt Vukobratovich, Michelle Brown, Ashley Hayden, and Stacy Huppenthal **Row 5:** Jacob Kozak, Scott Deathridge, Bryant Besson, James Todd, Dean Bibakis, Adam Koskela, Aaron Hughes, Brian Bugaski, Eric Dombrowski, and Ryan Maloney **Back:** Jeremy Deenik, Matt Wiarda, Justin Wythe, Jason Urbanczyk, Brian Bukala, Mathew Jackson, Trish Deenik, Adam Walker, Melissa Sabkowitz, Lindsey Allen, and Stacy Plaskanka

border war

On the band trip to Toronto, some members take a little time for fun. Ashley Sautter and Melissa Sabkowitz played air hockey, a lighter (and less violent) version of Canada's national sport.

jammed in the back

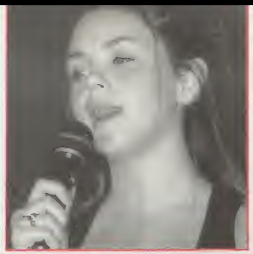
Playing his trombone at the winter concert, senior Matt Wiarda has been a faithful band member since his freshman year.

movin' to the groove

Most pep band members stay in one spot and play at the games, but Loren Rayburn and Stacy Plaskanka know the music so well that they can even dance a little while playing.

the sound of music

Soprano Ashley Van Garp sings, "Emanuel, God with Us" at the Winter Concert. Solos offered a chance for students to showcase their vocal talents.



express-ive

A beautiful smile beams from Stefanie Carroll during Spectacular. Swing Choir required auditions and intense hours of practice.

sound express show choir

Front: Matt Wiarda and Sean Meehan. **Row 2:** Stephanie Quinn, Amanda Huffnagle, Charlie Sears, Brian Bugajski, Jimmy Wyman, Nicole Granger, Amber Walkowiak, and Stephanie Geraci. **Row 3:** Becky Scherer, Becky Van Lear, Ashley VanGarp, Aaron Hughes, Adam Kaminski, Tany Braner, Stefanie Carroll, Melissa Braner, and Ann Sergent. **Back:** Emi Mastey, Eric Yukan, Mike Palenik, Jeremy Deenik, Mike Wick, Paul Metz, Mike Smith, and Brienne Sheehy

concert choir

Front: Amanda Hildebrandt, Ria Jager, Danielle Olenik, Tracy Manestar, Jena Osting, Trish Sheehy, Christy Bawker, and Tiffany Barker. **Row 2:** Andrea Stam-Burandt, Samantha Yonke, Emily Kaskela, Cannie Brawnd, Gram Alcantar, Darryl Baker, Chris Pinkowski, Robin Pawlik, Jessica Douglas, and Anni Sergent. **Row 3:** Katie Turner, Jillian McElmurry, Courtney Keilman, Adam Arwood, Robert Praud, David Binder, Philip Bunge, Rachael Rebenack, Jessica Ward, Elizabeth Capak, Jennifer Mallan, and Stephanie Geraci. **Back:** Nagisa Banks, Lisa Gray, Megan McGavern, Ben Mentink, Charles Pendleton, Keith Krueger, Josh Pagel, Mike Roberts, Kenny Seaton, Sarah Waltan, Catie Carnette, Rachelle Graham, and Hillary Smith. **Not pictured:** Jake Camus, Crystal Casey, and Mindy Miller.

As Stephanie Geraci, Brienne Sheehy, Ann Sergent, and Stephanie Quinn try to restrain their tears, they close Spectacular with "A Special Place." It is the senior show choir members' traditional way to say goodbye.

Tunes and tears for all the years

Seniors in show choir were allowed to get their caps and gowns early just for Spec. That simply meant they cried a little sooner. As the show choir's annual May spectualar neared, they rehearsed to become superheroes and graduates.

The concert choir visited Jane Ball Elementary and involved the kids with their songs. The boys staged, "Next to Loving, I Like Fighting," while the girls sang, "You Don't Own Me." The show also featured soloists Brett Arwood, Josh Pagel, Charles Pendleton, David Binder, Andrea Stam-Burandt, Lisa Grey, Stephanie Geraci, Rachelle Graham, Jennifer Matlon, and Jena Osting.

In their final performance, senior choir members sang, "Time of Your Life" at commencement, wrenching tears from the crowd.

Both choirs were challenged with new songs, new people, new voices, and a new year. The madrigals, who sang Old English numbers, performed at only two concerts, but traveled to contest and earned a second.

"The only reason I get so pumped up is because the crowd starts to clap with the rhythm."
–Brian Bugajski

here i come to save the day
Surprising everyone but the cast and crew, John Howe swings from the catwalk as the cartoon superhero, Mighty Mouse. Howe had to learn exactly how to take the plunge and slow up or he could have landed on an unsuspecting audience member's lap.

not this time!
While playing basketball, Kevin Kawalski is blocked by Tony Perez. Tony ended up getting the ball back and drained a three-point shot shortly after that.

volleying for fun
Before playing a real game of volleyball, freshmen Fallan Mir Trisha Sheehy, and Copak shaw off their skills by hitting the b to each other to help them warm up befor the match starts.

lots of action
When practicing against each team, freshmen Fallan Mirich, Meg'n Henkel, Brooke Carns, Trisha Sheehy, and Alicia Walkowiak show that it always helps to pay attention. When Alicia served the ball, it hit Brooke in the head. Fortunately, she wasn't hurt and the practice continued.

slip-slidin' away
As he attempts a rebound, freshman Cory Malon misjudges the ball as it slips off his hands. Skill and technique wasn't always as important as winning in gym class.

Pushing the limit, senior Chris Huseman shows that anyone can do it with a little effort. All phys ed students learned proper weightlifting technique in class.

A tougher kind of Playstation

Health and Physical education did not only encourage activity and physical strength, it also emphasized maintaining good conditioning, the right way to eat and the right way to exercise. Thoughout the year instructors Bonnie Beamer and Carol Grady helped teenagers get the right information. Boys' teacher Ron Szanyi helped kids to keep in shape and get them away from the lure of PlayStation 2. Mr. Szanyi not only taught each activity, he also took part in the class giving a hands on experience. His students said they enjoyed the days when he went out and played, especially during pinball, because they got to hit their teacher with a volleyball. Now, if students only could choose which teachers would play . . . .

"Gym was my favorite class to go to everyday."
–Senior Rich Thomas.

10 serving 7
During a three-on-three match, freshmen Lyndsie Vitolo sets the ball to her teammate, Bess Copak, who gets ready to spike the ball to the opposing team. The combination paid off as they eventually won the match.

I scream for ice cream
Looking for a cool refreshment Aleksander Case, Rachel Graham, Ryan Otterman, and Mike Wick take time out for ice cream. The globally popular treat was something the world travelers couldn't get enough of while on their trip to Spain.

good appetite
Enjoying the quiet atmosphere and food at Bon Appétit in Crown Point, Kelli Yukon and Megan Myers finish their food to take a picture together. The field trip to the local French restaurant is a favorite among Mrs. Gromit's students.

time for a break!
Still traveling in a pack on the Spanish trip, Ryan Otterman, Mike Wick, Aleksander Case, Rachel Graham, and Mike Case take a break on the bench in sunny Madrid. "Students learned and used their Spanish constantly," teacher Steve Gustas said, "I would definitely go again. We all had a great time."

sensational sunset
Spanish student Danielle Huffnagle adds a final layer of paint to a beautiful sunset image. Students decorated the wall with traditional art.

At O'Hare Rachel Graham, Mike Wick, Aleksander Case, and Mike Case wait to board for their flight to Spain. "I had a great time," Mike Case said.

Exploring a world of culture and cuisine

painter's touch
In touching up her painting, junior Megan Hofer shows her artistic skills. Although the paintings were only the size of a concrete block, students sometimes took more than a class period to complete their designs with care.

French Club finally had a rival in an eclectic group of students who formed a semi-official Spanish club. One thing both groups had in common was their love of travel and eating. French teacher Connie Gramit escorted her students to Europe and Quebec, Canada. Spanish teacher Steve Gustas took his students on an eight-day tour of Spain. They stopped in Madrid, Seville, Grenada, and Malaga. Both groups sampled authentic foods in and out of their classrooms. From Cinco de Mayo to Bastille Day, these groups never went hungry.

But being in a foreign language class wasn't just about getting the opportunity to travel and dine. Students in both classes were hungry to learn about their "adopted" country's geography, politics, traditions, art forms, and way of life.

"Can you say 'Coca-Cola' in Spanish or French?"
–Spanish teacher Steve Gustas with French teacher Connie Gramit at the Bon Appetite dinner

Debating over which kind of home to buy, Ashley Drysdale puts her mind to the real test. For some juniors the Reality Store was their first look at the real world.

Would a moment to rethink, help?

Being wise did have its advantages. The academic teams competed in the Indiana Academic Superbowl at Wheeler on April 17. Two of the five teams performed better than expected and both achieved something new at the competition. David Binder, Paul Metz, and Chris Parker formed the entire English team and pulled off a first-place finish–a first for Hanover. The Fine Arts team also accomplished a first: they left with a solid second place.

In an annual tradition juniors ventured to the back gym to take place in the Reality Store, an event to help prepare them for life. Students began by deciding what kind of career they wanted to pursue and then were assigned a monthly salary. Students were then required to move among stations and balance their earnings, make life decisions, or go bankrupt. And you thought "Survival" was tough.

"The Reality Store made me realize how tough money is going to be once I am out of high school and on my own."

–Erin Bonaventura, at the Reality Store with Mr. Greg Whitacre

math academic team
Front: Wyatt Vukobratavich and Billy Rickey. **Back:** Amanda Kaeling, Julie Maniak, and Adam Miller.

social studies academic team
Jasan Metz, Wyatt Vukabratavich, Ryan May, and coach Pam Roberts.

science academic team
Stacey Plaskonka, Ryan May, and Andrea Ward. **Not pictured:** Chris Parker.

fine arts academic team
David Binder, Matt Wiarda, Julie Maniak, and coach Pam Roberts.

english academic team
David Binder, Paul Metz, Chris Parker, and coach Pam Roberts.

environmental club
Front: Danielle Olenik, Andrew Cauwenhoven, and Heather Staniszeski **Back:** Lauren Pawlak, Lauren Rayburn, and coach Robert Kral. **Not pictured:** Cory Knutsen.

fearing nothing
Gretchen Govert gives a smile indicating that, relatively speaking, she enjoys her time on the table. Donors gave a pint of blood and council members assisted the donors off the tables.

there's more where that came from
"I like donating blood," LesLee Koper said. "I would do it all of the time if I could. It's kinda fun." Dozens of others agreed as the Heartland Blood Services collected almost 50 pints.

nervous moments
Not looking very excited about donating, Kristy Brownd lays perfectly still on the table in the hope that nothing will go wrong with the procedure. It didn't.

A needle in the finger isn't as bad as one in your arm for ten minutes. But Gretchen Govert knows it's all part of the process of donating for the council's blood drive.

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STUDENT COUNCIL:
Christine Wajvada
Rachelle Graham
Brienne Sheehy
Danielle Derisi
Megan Myers
Anne Previs
Caurtney Keilman
Liz Bilinski
Katie Westerhoff
Jillian Garney
Megan Hafer
Jan Howe
Adam Van Gorp
Nicole Granger
Laren Rayburn
Angela Witt
Fallon Mirich
Lindsey Parks
Julie Titak
Billy Rickey
Kelli Yukan
Adam Miller
Tani Sheehy
Julie Maniak
Todd Szanyi
Donald Kars
Dan Stamper
Becky Van Lear
Stefanie Carroll
Amanda Koeling
Kristine Egyed
Cari Knutsen
Mike Wick
Danielle Huffnagle

Improving the quality of life

"I had no problem with giving blood, it was kinda fun," Adam Van Gorp said. "I will definitely have no problem doing it again next year. In fact, I am looking forward to it." He wasn't the only student to feel this way while taking part in the student council's annual blood drive. A variety of people including students, teachers, and community members came to help.

In addition to the blood drive, student council organized school events such as Spirit Week, Homecoming, and several dances. Every grade in the high school was represented in the organization, which often labored behind the scenes to improve the quality of life.

"Student Council is great to be in."
–Billy Rickey, freshman representative

Derrick Poper applies a thin coat of paint to his model car. Out of many types of cars, Poper said he chose the one that fit his personality.

It pays to follow the instructions

It is the sheet of paper that is included with almost anything that needed to be assembled. They were called instructions, and in spite of the testosterone-driven instinct to toss them into the trash, it was usually a good idea to keep them on hand. Besides, translating the Japanese to English descriptions could be fun.

Oral instructions were just as important as written directions. They had to be remembered or written down in order to refer back to them. While constructing their model cars, students repeatedly referred to the written instructions or to the knowledge of veteran teacher Lee Johnson, in his first year on Hanover's faculty.

If instructions weren't followed, the finished product didn't work right or worse, was unsafe. With luck, local Ford Motor Company engineers took Mr. Lee's class.

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Mr. Lee Johnson fin
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mechanism for th
class's drag race
introducing a transpo
tation class to th
school, Mr. Johns
said enjoyed his fir
year at Hanove

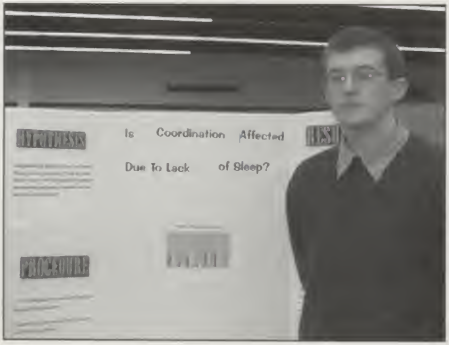
finishing touches
Junior David Dahlberg carefully finishes his car by adding a little paint to the body. This was the first year students were able to build cars in industrial arts.

following mr. fix-it
The class watches as Mr. Johnson repairs a broken car wheel. The cars, powered by carbon dioxide charges were raced down the hall tethered to fine lines to prevent them from crashing into the walls.

adding a coat of finish
Making sure to follow the grain of the wood, Roy Oppermann adds a coat of stain to a highly crafted book shelf. Some students thought the woods class would end when Mr. Norm Holmes retired, but Mr. Johnson stepped right in.

a clear understanding
Physics teacher Robert Kral helps out Lindsay Sincavage as she tries to understand a text problem more clearly.

just sleep on it
Junior Chris Parker won second place for his project, "How Does Sleep Deprivation Affect Memory?" (Yawn)–we forgot his outcome.



what a moment!
Explaining his entry, junior Greg Webb won the 2001 science fair with his project, "Is Coordination Affected Due To Lack Of Sleep?" His finding? Lack of sleep does matter.

silence is the key
Biology class on this day meant a test for freshman Angela Witt as she tries to concentrate on passing the assessment in order to get a passing grade for the class.

Senior Nagisa Banks shows her experimentation skills in chemistry when she tries to mix to two chemicals together for one of many lab projects in the class.

Experiment in frustration

Science was one of the best classes you could have. It was an opportunity to experience labs every week that demonstrated problems in real life experiments. However, students were challenged with classroom glitches as well.

As science classes started to use brand-new laptops for the first time, difficulties with the programs caused frustration and people became bored with the process. Veteran teachers prepared alternative approaches. Junior Adam Koskela said, "Without Mr. Krol, I don't know where I would be in this world."

At the science fair junior Greg Webb won the high school gold medal for his project, "Is Coordination Affected Due To Lack of Sleep?" Webb said his idea came from kids complaining about their poor performance because of lack of sleep. His sleep study was just one of a three-part project, which included the second place project exhibited by Chris Parker, and the honorable mention project by Paul Metz.

All three projects involved sleep deprivation and how it affects the human body. They differed in their focus. While Webb's project dealt with coordination, Parker's studied memory, and Metz concentrated on basic knowledge. The tag-team effort earned the trio top honors, not to mention a good night's sleep.

"This was one of those classes where you didn't mind going to everyday."
–Eddie Roberts

Be careful!
During the lab experiment, junior Aaron Rush takes his turn at mixing two chemicals together, creating a powerful mixture that could burn skin from a body.

In "Barbecuing Hamlet," senior Jillian Janicki plays the very witty secretary. The crowd laughed loudly, not to mention Jason Metz and Becky Scherer.

Acting like professionals

Led by Mr. Steve Gustas, the drama club presented two shows. The first, a comedy entitled, "Barbecuing Hamlet," portrayed Brienne Sheehy as the new director of a local theater troupe who is forced to work with a collection of bad actors trying to stage "Hamlet" in their western town. As the hook, the play included a barbecue after each play within a play.

The thespians also tackled "The Pirates of Penzance." It featured Eric Yukon as Frederic, an apprentice pirate, and Danielle Huffanagle as Mabel, his love interest. She was one of Major General Stanley's (Jeremy Deenik) many daughters and she fell in love with Frederic. Other roles included Brian Bugajski as the Pirate King, and Paul Metz as the sergeant of the guard. Possibly the most complex production ever staged by Hanover thespians, the tricky choreography and vocals didn't faze the ambitious group after hours of intense practice.

"(Mr.) Gustas has done a fantastic job of learning and helping. I'm happy to have him as a director."
–Elizabeth Gonsiorowski, following the final performance of "Barbecuing Hamlet".

surprise ending
Senior Jeremy Deenik sings the challenging lyrics, "I am the very model of a modern Major-General," in the The Pirates of Penzance. The general doesn't want his daughters to marry pirates, but he finally gives in because, in the end, he reveals that he is one.

sign of success
In Barbecuing Hamlet, Becky Scherer's character walks across the stage holding up various signs to encourage audience participation. The real crowds always reacted, making them part of the play within a play

where's a mouse
Playing a janitor in the fall play, Barbecuing Hamlet, Paul Metz chases a phantom mouse in the theatre. Later in the year Metz played the Sergeant of police in The Pirates of Penzance.

pirates with a payoff
Pirates Adam Walker and Charles Pendleton are persuaded in the daughters sang. In the end, though, all goes well between them and they live happily ever after.

googly eyes
Saphamares Danielle Huffinagle and Eric Yukan's characters, Mabel and Fredric, woo each other in this scene. As their characters' fate would have it, they do fall in love

Chris Mantel receives the U.S. Marine Corps award for athletes from Staff Sgt. Aaron C. Doetsch.

Recounting Excellence

Community Awards and Scholarships
Girls' State
Adrienne Shraka
Stephanie Huppenthal

Boys' State
Adam Itczak
Paul Metz
Charlie Sears

American Legion Citizenship Awards
Jillian Janicki
Brian Bugajski

Wal-Mart Scholarship
Kirby Heindel

Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholarship
Dean Nelson

Cedar Lake Kiwanis Scholarship and District Kiwanis of Indiana Foundation Scholarship
Kelly Garrett

Kiwanis Medal of Honor Award
Kelly Garrett

Cedar Lake Lions Club—Joseph G. Schutz Citizenship Award
Jillian Janicki

Crown Point Community Foundation Patron Scholarship
Kirby Heindel

St. John Junior Women's Club Scholarships
Brian Bugajski

Cedar Lake Business and Professional Women Scholarships
Richard Knutsen
Stephanie Geraci

Cedar Lake Jaycees Scholarship
Amber Westerhoff

Cedar Lake Jaycees Presidential/Student Service Scholarship
Kelly Garrett

St. John Security Federal Presidential Student Service Scholarship
Jillian Janicki

Target Scholarship
Amber Westerhoff

Ken Tortorici Memorial Scholarship
Kelly Garrett

Mary Jo Bishop Scholarship Memorial Award
Megan Vassar

U.S. Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete Award
Chris Mantel
Brienne Sheehy

U. S. Army College Fund Scholarship
Brett Arwood

U.S. Marine Corps Award for Distinguished Athletes
Chris Mantel
Kelly Garrett

U.S. Marine Corps Award for Musical Excellence
Jeremy Deenik

U.S. Marine Corps Award for Scholastic Excellence
Andrew Miller

Prudential Spirit of Community Award
Jillian Janicki

Valparaiso University Awards Foreign Language Award—French
Jillian Janicki

Dollars for Scholars Awards:

Bracken Scholarships
Lindsay Shelby ($2,000)
Andrew Miller ($2,000)

Bracken/Kiwanis Scholarship
Kelly Garrett $1,500)

Leturgez Scholarship
Chris Mantel ($2,000)

Cedar Lake Vending Scholarship
Jeremy Deenik ($1,000)

Lian's Scholarship
Amber Westerhoff ($1,000)

Betty Wilkerson Scholarship
Jillian Janicki ($1,000)

Lloyd Hammersley Scholarship
Dean Nelson ($1,000)

Lindsey and Deborah Parks Scholarship
Brienne Sheehy ($1,000)

Barbara Williams Scholarship
Jillian Garny ($1,000)

Virginia Palmer Scholarship
Gretchen Govert ($1,000)

Other Scholarships
Kirby Heindel ($1,000)
Brian Bugajski ($1,000)

Finalist in National Merit Scholarship Program
Tim Schotke

English
Outstanding Senior English Student
Brienne Sheehy

Outstanding Junior English Student
Chris Parker

Outstanding Sophomore English Student
Miranda Spindler

Outstanding Freshman English Student
Jason Metz

Band
John Phillip Sousa Award
Stephanie Raedel

Outstanding Choral Student
Brienne Sheehy

Foreign Language Completion of Advanced French Classes
Jillian Janicki
Stacy Pleskonka
Rachelle Reinhalt
Amber Westerhoff
Kit Stanberry
Amanda Kaeling
Julie Maniak
Stephanie Huppenthal

Highest Academic Achievement in French
Jillian Janicki – 5
Amber Westerhoff – 4
Cathy Hamalka – 3
Emily Mastey – 2
Rachael Anderson – 1

Spanish
Outstanding Spanish Students
Chris Mantel
Jill Garny
Tim Schotke
Sarah Jager
Ann Sergent
Christine Wajvada

Guidance
Peer Facilitatar of the Year
Sarah Jager

Journalism
CyberCat News Awards
Heather Staniszeski
Jasan Metz
Aaran Kush
Jennifer Malik

Key Yearbaak Awards
Andrew Cauwenhaven
Christapher Reh
Andrea Stam-Burandt
Ryan Malaney
Dave Guzanski
Nick Medrano

Key Club Awards
President - Kelly Garrett
Vice President - Jan Hawe
Secretary - Beth Wendlinger
Treasurer - Amber Westerhoff

Representative Awards
Shannon McLaughlin, 2001
Stephanie Huppenthal, 2002
Lindsey Allan, 2003
Rick Surprise, 2004

Outstanding Key Clubber
Ryan May

Outstanding Board Member
Kelly Garrett

Mathematics
All A's in Honors Geometry
Ed Favela
Nicole Granger
Katie Jacobsen
Ryan May
Megan Myers
Billy Rickey

Outstanding Honors Geometry
Billy Rickey

All A's in Honors Algebra 2
Adam Miller
Brandon Barks
Cathy Hamalka
Julie Maniak
Mike Case
Stephen Ettema

Outstanding Algebra 2 Student
Adam Miller

All A's in Precalculus
Eric Lambert
Aaron Rush
Eric Mantel
Jamie Jenkins
Amanda Koeling
Adam Itczak

Outstanding Precalculus Student
Eric Lambert

All A's Calculus
Tony Braner
Dan Deatherage
Kelly Garrett
Jillian Gorny
Tim Schotke
Lindsay Shelby

Outstanding Calculus Students
Tony Braner
Dan Deatherage

Outstanding Seniar Math Students
Tony Braner
Dan Deatherage

Science
Bausch and Lamb Award
Erik Mantel

Mason Metals Outstanding Science Student Award
Chris Mantel

Social Studies
Outstanding Senior Student
Lindsay Shelby

Outstanding Juniar Student
Chris Parker

Outstanding Saphamare Student
Carrie Talbert

Distance Learning Awards
Outstanding English Student
Jillian Janicki

Outstanding Medical Careers Student
Amber Westerhoff

Art
Seniar Art Awards
Ben Kortakrax
Jeff Skarupa
Eric Lambert
Aaron Csikas
Melody Willy

Juniar Art Awards
Jamie Jenkins
Ray Opperman
Ryan Thomas
Craig Scholke
Heather Burkhardt
Rachelle Reinholt
Sarah Csikas
Emi Mastey

Sophamare Art Awards
Amanda Huffnagle
Kristen Skarupa
Pat Goltz
Misty Clingerman
Bryan Redeagle

Freshman Art Awards
Jaclyn Kienzle
Liz Bilinski
Joanna Hamlett

Outstanding Art Student
Jeff Skarupa

Academic Awards
All A's 2000-2001

Jillian Gorny	12
Eric Lambert	12
Jamie Jenkins	11
Julie Maniak	11
Cathy Hamalka	10
Adam Miller	10
Billy Ricky	9

CTA Certificates of Technical Achievement
Brandan Barks
Babbie Ja Burk
Danielle DeRisi
Danielle Eiermann
Kelly Garrett
Erin Hackett
Kirby Heindel
Brandy Higby
Adam Itczak
Sarah Jager
Laura Jens
Jill Kienzle
Amanda Luce
Ryan Malaney
Chris Mantel
Adam Miller
Nicole Pempek
Nichole Paper
Kati Patter
Eddie Roberts
Nick Ryan
Becky Scherer
Tim Schotke
Nathan Staley
Melinda Staples
Megan Vassar
Beth Wendlinger

Superior Hanars

Amber Westerhoff	12
Andy Miller	12
Anthony Braner	12
Brienne Sheehy	12
Catherine Speichert	12
Eric Lambert	12
Jillian Gorny	12
Jillian Janicki	12
Kelly Garrett	12
Kristopher Stanberry	12
Lindsay Shelby	12
Megan Vassar	12
Timothy Schotke	12
Chris Parker	11
Craig Scholke	11
Erik Mantel	11
Gregory Webb	11
Heather Burkhardt	11
Jamie Jenkins	11
Jennifer Stager	11
Julie Maniak	11
Lynn Molnar	11
Megan McElmurry	11
Michael Case	11
Sean Meehan	11
Stacy Plaskonka	11
Danielle Eiermann	10
Kati Patter	10
Adam Miller	10
Amanda Huffnagle	10
Amber Walkowiak	10
Cathy Hamalka	10
Jacinda James	10
Jennifer Montgomery	10
Kathie Jacobsen	10
Melissa Braner	10
Miranda Spindler	10
Patrick Galiz	10
Sarah Csikas	10
Rachelle Graham	10
Ryan May	9
Billy Ricky	9

All Honor Roll

Stepen Bader	12
Jennifer Bahling	12
Brian Bugaski	12
Angela Clark	12
Jeremy Deenik	12
Stephanie Geroci	12
Kirby Heindel	12
Christopher Huseman	12
Sarah Jager	12
Leslee Kaper	12
Rachel Laud	12
Amanda Luce	12
Jennifer Malik	12
Erin Maloney	12
Christopher Mantel	12
Shannon McLaughlin	12
Dean Nelson	12
Carrie Priebe	12
Stephanie Quinn	12
Stephanie Roedel	12
Michael VanAsdell	12
Rebecca VanLear	12
Jennifer Wallace	12
Andrea Ward	12
Melody Willy	12
Brandon Barks	11
Bryan Brightwell	11
Keith Bulkema	11
Ashley Drysdale	11
Stephen Ettema	11
Eric Galla	11
David Guzaski	11
Adam Itczak	11
Jill Kienzle	11
Amanda Koeling	11
Emily Mastey	11
Paul Metz	11
Joshua Pogel	11
Ryan Panazzo	11
Kati Patter	11
Loren Rayburn	11
Daniel Rosen	11
Adrienne Shroka	11
Jennifer Smith	11
Heather Stanszieska	11
Elizabeth Wendlinger	11
Bridget Yonke	11
Eric Yukon	11
David Binder	10
Danny Clettenberg	10
Cassie Freeman	10
Jeannine Gilloy	10
Rachelle Graham	10
Mary Ann Grgric	10
Jennifer McMullen	10
Chad Patton	10
Charles Pendleton	10
Kristen Skarupa	10
Melissa Sokolowicz	10
Jeremy Spencer	10
Carrie Talbert	10
Sarah Walton	10
Danielle Glenik	10
Karrah Adam	9
Doug Bilinski	9
Liz Bilinski	9
Joel Bormann	9
Elizabeth Capak	9
Scott Deatherage	9
Edgar Favela	9
Nicole Granger	9
Owen Goff	9
Joanna Hamlet	9
Heather Hayden	9
Matthew Jackson	9
Courtney Kellman	9
Jaclyn Kienzle	9
Grace Klein	9
Jillian McElmurry	9
Jason Metz	9
Fallan Minch	9
Megan Myers	9
Lynn Pokrajac	9
Anastasia Previs	9
Rachel Rebenack	9
Krystle Keh	9
Billy Rickey	9
Desiree Schilling	9
Lyndsie Vitolo	9
Wyatt Vukobratovich	9
Alicia Walkowiak	9
Ashley Walkowiak	9
Katie Westerhoff	9
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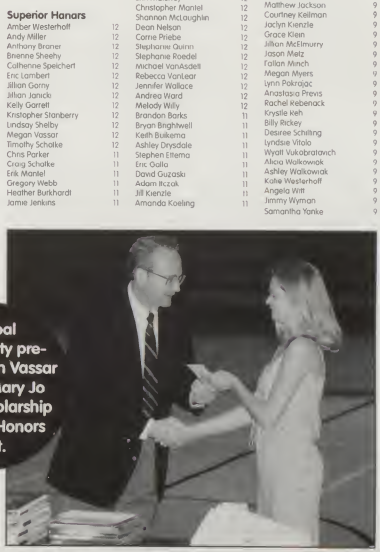
Jimmy Wyman	9
Samantha Yonke	9



Principal Joseph Fetty presents Megan Vassar with the Mary Jo Bishop Scholarship Award at Honors Night.


320
333
342
283
337

the numbers Game

Stats...records...timeouts...line-ups...injuries. Pick any facet of sports and the numbers add up. Wildcat athletes and fans rode the rollercoaster of emotion from ultimate victory to utter dispair. But performance was only part of the equation–every school had that. These Class 2A performers brought their best game and they brought it in numbers.

THE NUMBER OF MINUTES junior varsity players log amounts to experience that can't be taught. Junior guard Adam Itczak doesn't waste his minutes in bringing the ball up the court against PCC rival, Morgan Township.

PICK A NUMBER Even a program made it tough to track all of the runners at the start of the Lemon Lake cross country sectionals. The Wildcat runners, numbers 337-342, stepped up to earn a fifth place finish and a trip to regionals. Eventually, Chris Mantel made it to semistate.

movin' on up

Trying to move up a few spots, Ashley Hayden competes at Lemon Lake. She was one of the lucky runners that did not get lost on the course.

fast finish

Thrilled, yet, exhausted, the finish line is in sight for Kelly Garrett. During the PCC meet, Kelly ran the course in 16:04, her fastest time of the year.

it's all over

With the rest of the race behind her, sophomore Jen Montgomery reaches for her ticket stub. She helped the Lady 'Cats to an 8-1 record on the Monastery course.

The defining moment

A near-perfect season finds everyone putting their best foot forward

With nothing held back and nothing left behind, the girls' cross country team crossed the finish line winning meet after meet. Although they lost a meet early in the season, they regrouped for win after win.

It wasn't just in meets when they went for their best times. Throughout their daily practices they put forward all their might. Their practices each and every day of the week consisted of several laps around the track, the three mile loop, and speed challenging sprints to help them on the straight stretches during the race.

taking it easy

After winning at sectionals, Melissa Braner and Jen Montgomery treasure the moment as the Wildcats move on to regionals. Out of the seven team members competing at sectionals, all finished under 18 minutes.

leader of the pack

In the home stretch, Megan Vassar breaks away from the Merrillville, Lowell, and Andrean runners. Fallon Mirich and Ashley Hayden bring up the rear.

girls' cross country

Front: Fallon Mirich, Karrah Adams, Katie Westerhoff, Stefanie Carroll, Kelley Garrett, Danielle Huffnagle. **Back:** Megan Vassar, Melissa Braner, Ashley Hayden, Bridget Castner, Jen Mantgomery, Liz Bilinski, and Coach Steve Faulds.

Dedication comes first

Kelly Garrett, a runner since she was a freshman, earned the team's best time with a 16:04 at the PCC Meet to help them win first place. Even at the beginning of the year, Garrett had her eyes set on going all the way to state. It didn't quite work out due to the team's heartbreaking loss at semi-state, but it wasn't for lack of effort. "When I came into the season, who would have thought that we could make it all the way to semi-state. I'm really proud of this team," Garrett said as she reflected on the season.

The long road to semi-state

When they finished first successfully in the season; and then having completed the PCC perfectly with a 9-0 record, the team looked poised to take on any opponent who would step in their way. The team captured first place again in the PCC meet, first place in sectionals, and finished fourth place at regionals to earn them a trip to semi-state; but when they got there, the team fell short at the finish line, but not on a solid season.

and 3.2 miles later...

Rensselaer	23-33
Gavit Invitational	2rd of 8
Crown Point 4-Way	1st of 5
River Forest	15-50
Rensselaer Invite	4th of 12
Highland	18-41
Lowell Invitational	3rd of 9
Culver Invitational	8th of 24
LaCrosse	15-50
Morgan Township	15-50
Kouts	28 29
Hebron	20-43
KV Invitational	2nd of 10
Washington Township	22-38
Boone Grove	19 45
Wheeler	17-45
PCC Meet	1st
Sectional	1st
Regional	4th
Semi-state	12th

PCC Record: 7-0

Season Dual Meet Record: 9-1

Best of Show

Kelly Garrett
All-PCC, All-Sectional, All-Regional, Most Valuable Runner

Bridget Castner
All-PCC, All Sectional, Hustle Award

Falan Marich
Most Improved Runner

Melissa Braner
All-PCC

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pushy cats

Pushing his way towards the finish line, Chris Mantel earns fifteenth place. Chris' performance led to a semi-state slot at New Prairie, and eventually a spot in the state meet.

deep thoughts

Adam Itczak takes a long break for a deep breather before the race at regionals. He ran a time of 19:00, which placed him fortieth out of 70 runners.

running for the lead

Junior Ryan Thomas overtakes Crown Point and Hobart on the course at regionals. As a team, Hanover placed eighth overall at the Lemon Lake regionals.

running with confidence

Running with a time of 18:32, Nick Urena was the second Wildcat to cross the finish line. "I knew I could do it if I kept pace with the other runners," Nick said.

boys' cross country

Front: Ryan Thomas, Adam Davis, Nick Urena, Adam Itczak,and Jimmy Wyman **Back:** Matt Jacksan, Chris Mantel, Dan Sullivan, Rich Dobin, Adam Walker, and Coach Steve Faulds.

Peaks and valleys

Mantel makes it all the way to semi-state and the team follows his leadership

The sun shined, the wind blew, and the clouds hung overhead signifying that cross-country season was about to begin. Sweat poured down opponent's faces just before the gun went off and everyone knew it was time again to get serious. The team struggled along the way, but made it all the way to regionals. The team barely missed an opportunity to go to semi-state for the first time in a few years, but Chris Mantel did make it and placed 90th in the state.

Heart of the team

No one could stop the best runner, Chris Mantel, who earned All-PCC, All-Regional, and the Most Valuable Runner awards. He also made semi-state which was a huge accomplishment for him. "When the season started, I had a feeling that it was going to be an exciting year," he said.

Survival of the fittest

Cross country runners went through a vigorous workout each and every day. They practiced whether it was rain, shine, and even snow. Their hard work during the tough times prompted Adam Itczak to say, "I think that if we decided to cancel every practice for any type of weather condition, we would have never made it all the way to regionals.

and 3.2 miles later...

Rensselaer	40-21
Gavit Invitational	6th of 11
Crown Point 5-Way	3rd of 4
South Newton	19-42
River Forest	25-31
Rensselaer Invite	Seniors- 4th
Highland	34-21
Lowell Invitational	3rd of 13
Wheeler	36 19
Culver Invitational	10th of 25
LaCrosse	20-37
Morgan Township	25-31
Kauts	33 23
Hebron	41-20
Boone Grove	36 23
Washington Twp	29-26
PCC Meet	5th of 8
Sectional	5th of 12
Regional	8th of 10

PCC Record: 2-5

Season Dual Meet Record: 4-7

Best of Show

Chris Mantel
All-PCC, All-Regional, Most Valuable Runner

Nick Urena
All-Sectional, Most Improved

Adam Walker
Hustle Award

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triumph and tragedy

Lindsay Parks played exceptionally well that day, and all she needed was for this shot to be good. Sadly, the talented freshman passed away in a tragic accident in November.

a swing and a miss

Coach Scott Campbell watches while sophomore Rachelle Graham attempts a drive to put the ball close to the ninth hole. Unfortunately, the ball landed a little short.

taking a look

Freshman Courtney Kellman takes a little time to line up the ball. Precision and patience was very important in this game.

get in there

After looking for the best line of attack, freshman Stacy Huppenthal ignores a teammate's shadow to sink the putt. Her concentration paid off as she sank the shot.

girls' golf

Front: Shannon Phillips, Rachel May, Becky VanLear, Megan Meyers, and Julie Titak. **Back:** Rachelle Graham, Courtney Keilman, Lindsay Parks, Amanda Koeling, Stacy Huppenthal, and Coach Scott Campbell.

playing the short game

On her second swing of the match, Amanda Koeling swings fiercely to put the ball on to the green, or at least somewhere close by. As luck would have it, the ball actually landed about 10 feet away from where she was standing.

Hitting the greens

The girls' team showed some promise and proved to be a contender

Whether the greens were fast or slow, the girls' golf team had another successful year, going just over .500 for the season. They improved in every match to become one of the elite teams in the conference and were on their way to becoming a major contender. Coach Scott Campbell taught them the right way to drive a ball, chip it to the green, and how to sink putts in one or two shots. He also gave pointers on keeping the ball out of the hazards on the various courses they played.

"Even though most of us on the team were first year players, we still did pretty good in the conference," Megan Meyers pointed out. The team showed heart when they played and it showed.

Remember me this way

Lindsay Parks was one of the hardest workers on the golf team. Her dedication to the sport really showed and greatly helped the team win games. Coach Scott Campbell said she was one of his favorite golfers on the team. "She really earned her spot on the team and we will miss her," teammate Megan Meyers said.

Closer to the hole...

Andrean	267-221
Lowell	267-220
Crown Point	253-206
Wheeler	225-239
Lake Central	240-198
Portage	240-207
Kankakee Valley	won
Boone Grove	220-234
Munster	216-213
Wheeler	214-224
Hobart	214-261
North Newton	217-259
Merrillville	213-238
Tourneys (placing not reported)	
LaPorte Invitational	464
Sandy Pines	492
Season Dual Record:	**7-6**

Best of Show

Megan Meyers
Most Improved

Becky VanLear
Merriest Attitude

Shannon Phillips
Most Valuable Golfer

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on good authority

Senior Nick Medrano shows how to muscle a kill over the net. Balls deflected off the top of the net posed problems for the defense, but it wasn't a skill most players actually tried to perfect.

return to sender

Junior Keith Buikema reaches back in an eager attempt to swat down the oncoming ball. With his dominating height of 6' 3", Keith was able to score a point with his punishing spike.

suspended animation

Moving to set the ball, senior Nate Staley positions outside attacker Bobby Ostrowski for a menacing spike. Bobby's leaping ability and quick arm motion made him an effective offensive weapon.

bump it

Just being able to recover from the opposing spike, Cory Knutsen positions himself for the bump. Junior Erik Mantel followed the ball with a classic spike.

Improving year by year

Victories remained few and far between, but a touney win snapped a long streak

Maybe all the team needed was a fresh start with more than half of the team moving up from the guidance of coach Mike Frazier at the junior varsity level and stepping into a new atmosphere. The team looked great with an opening win against LaCrosse right off the bat in the season-opening VolleyCat Tourney. Then things came to a screeching halt.

Momentum, however, deserted the squad as they struggled again after the lone win. Inconsistent play frustrated the Wildcats as they played well against some tough opponents, but let down against others. Still, no matter what else happened, the team snapped a streak of over 20 losses with their win, which was one more than the previous year.

ending with a bang

Junior Erik Mantel digs to stop the ball from reaching the floor. After a set, Keith Buikema followed up with a spike against Wheeler.

boys' volleyball

Front: Roger Almoguer, Erik Mantel, Bobby Ostrowski, Cary Knutsen, and Tony Braner. **Back:** Nate Staley, Nick Medrano, Keith Buikema, Eddie Roberts, and Coach Steve Gustas.

and 15 kills later . . .

LaCrosse	6-15, 15-7, 15-8
Wheeler	8-15, 8-15
Washington Township	5-15, 8-15
Wheeler	4-15, 8-15
LaCrosse	8-15, 7-15
Morgan Township	4-15, 1-15
Hebron	4-15, 3-15
Kouts	11-15, 2,15
Boone Grove	0-15, 2-15
Morgan Township	0-15, 8-15
PCC Record:	**0-7**
Season Record:	**1-9**

Best of Show

Eric Mantel
Defensive Player of the Year

Keith Buikema
Offensive Player of the Year

Nick Medrano
Most Improved Player

Putting in a good word

When it came to offense there was one player who stood above the rest of the team. Keith Buikema was a force despite the boys' record. On the defensive side, Erik Mantel was a 5'10" junior who stood 6'6" when he wanted to block some of the hardest hitters in the conference. Senior Nick Medrano was a pleasant surprise, having just one year of experience on the JV level. Under the watchful eye of Coach Frazier he developed into an offensive and defensive threat as he entered his only varsity year.

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in with a bang

Coach Mike Frozier stresses the importance of proper defensive positioning during a time out at the VolleyCat Tourney. It was the first match ever for many of the players, who were challenged to learn the game in just a few weeks.

anxious assistance

Assisting with the stats, Amber Westerhoff helps by tracking timeouts and substitutions during the game. By the look on her face, it was pretty obvious the action was heated at the JV PCC Tourney, which Kauts eventually won.

early riser

Although starting his approach a little too soon, Doug Bilinski still manages to spike the ball deep into LaCrosse's back row. According to Coach Frozier, His quickness and athleticism made him one of the Wildcat's strongest offensive threats.

in synch

As he spikes the ball, Dave Plaetz seals the game against LaCrosse. Meanwhile setter Billy Rickey runs into spike coverage position behind Dave in case LaCrosse manages to block the ball.

boys' jv volleyball

Front: Billy Rickey, Chris Bahling, Todd Szanyi, Doug Bilinski, and Jeff Johnson **Back:** Coach Mike Frazier, Adam Suarez, Ryan May, Jeremy Spencer, Brandon Hegg, and Dave Plaetz.

a show of hands

Reaching out, Adam Suarez and Jeff Johnson extend a double block to seal off the Wildcat's court. Although it wasn't the most glamorous skill, blocking required excellent timing and strong vertical leap ability. The result was a properly executed kill-block

The all-rookie challenge

JV continues a long-term rebuilding process and even finds a little success

Junior varsity coaches know that every year is a "rebuilding" year, but it is still unusual to begin with no experience at all. That's what happened with Coach Mike Frazier's Wildcats, though. Most were freshmen and some were first-year sophomores. Without any feeder program, everyone was starting from scratch. The teams' key players were all new, but performed well. Jeremy Spencer, Billy Rickey, and Doug Bilinski were among those players.

Saving the best for last

In the last regular season match of the year, the JV finally reached its potential in an epic three-game battle. Unfortunately, it was against Hebron, one of the strongest teams in the conference. "There is history between these two schools," Coach Frazier said. "Win or lose, it's always a tough match and our guys played as well as they possibly could."

I can't get no satisfaction

Most of the losses were close, but Coach Frazier said he still wasn't satisfied with the season. "Out of 10 matches, we won two. Seven of those matches went three games. We were just that close. You have to have skills in every facet of this game and there is a lot for everyone to learn in a very short amount of time. This is a big disadvantage for new players, but experience changes everything. Our program is improving."

and 10 matches later...

valleyCat Tourney	
LaCrosse	15-6, 5-15, 12-15
Wheeler	W 15, 6-15
LaCrosse	L1 15, 15-8, 15-8
Washington Twp	5-15, 3-15
Kouts	10-15, 15-8, 1-15
Wheeler	4-15, 15-11, 8-15
Boone Grove	3-15, 15-9, 15-10
Morgan	5-15, 15-5, 10-15
Hebron	15-9, 15-17, 4-15
JV PCC Tourney	
Wheeler	8-15, 5-15
PCC Record:	**2-5**
Season Record:	**2-8**

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floating on air

Freshman Jaclyn Klenzle jumps to spike the ball over the net and score a kill for the team. The freshman and JV volleyball player played a key role for both teams.

gettin' back in

Warming up in pre-game drills, junior Lindsay Sincavage prepares for action. Lindsay was a three-year veteran with the girls' junior varsity squad which went further in the PCC tourney than some of the local media predicted.

goin' all out

Freshman volleyball player Katie Burke digs up the ball. Katie's quick back-row defense helped the Lady Wildcats set up another score for the team.

Beyond the X's and O's

Coach Thompson keeps focus on basics, team play, and JV's winning traditions

Junior Varsity Girls' Volleyball Coach Ann Thompson has coached the team for a long time. Twenty-three years to be exact. According to the veteran coach, "Volleyball is a team sport with all members being equally important in the role they play. Hitters hit, defensive specialists play defense, and setters set." It is a strategy that has served her teams well, including this one.

Girls earn second-place at PCC

Going into the PCC tourney with a 5-9 record, the JV girls were not sure if they were capable of defeating a solid Washington Township team. Fortunately, the Lady Wildcats succeeded in beating the Lady Senators and went on to the semifinals. They turned in a strong performace against Kouts in the match and won again. In the finals, however, the girls were knocked into second place by Boone Grove, which won a close 15-11, 15-9, match.

"We went to the PCC tourney and no one believed we could win two matches and make it into the finals," Coach Thompson noted. "The feeling that after a year of working at doing the right thing had paid off, was wonderful."

Freshman Girls' Volleyball

Front: Trisha Sheehy, Jaclyn Kienzle, Nicole Granger, and Tracy Manestar. **Back:** Elizabeth Copak, Katie Burke, Jillian McElmurry, Joanna Hamlet, and Coach Tammy Sheehy.

Junor Varsity Girls' Volleyball

Front: Christie Bowker, Amanda Huffanagle, Cathy Homolka, Kristine Egyed, and Miranda Spindler **Back:** Amy Gley, Katie Jacobsan, Laura Jens, Lindsay Sincavage, and Coach Ann Thompsan.

JV team totals:

Gavit	11-15, 16-14, 9-15
Clark	3-15, 14-16
South Newton	15-7, 15-11
Crown Point	6-15, 4-15
River Forest	15-2, 15-11
Beecher	Win by forfeit
Lake Station	11-15, 12-15
North Newton	8-15, 15-8, 10-15
Griffith	16-14, 8-15, 7-15
LaCrosse	15-4, 15-5
Washington Township	4-15, 5-15
Kouts	15-7, 14-6, 15-10
Lowell	2-15, 4-15
Wheeler	15-11, 8-15, 8-15
Boone Grove	15-13, 12-15, 16-14
Morgan Township	15-10, 15-6
Hebron	2-15, 11-15
PCC Tourney	
Washington Twp	12-15, 15-13, 15-4
Kouts	15-1, 15-2
Boone Grove	11-15, 9-15
Rensselaer	15-9, 4-15, 13-15
Whiting	9-15, 1-15
PCC Record:	**4-3**
Season Record:	**9-13**

Freshman Team:

Scores not available from coaching staff

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girls' varsity volleyball

Front: Tani Sheehy, Brienne Sheehy, Adrienne Shraka, Rachel Laud, Megan McElmurry, and Jill Kienzle. **Back:** Jenny Bahling, Stephanie Huppenthal, Amber Westerhaff, Julie Maniak, Jamie Jenkins, Shannan McLaughlin, and Coach Carol Grady.

blind side

Setter Brienne Sheehy backsets to Megan McElmurry in an effort to throw off the defense. The backset is one of the hardest skills to master because the setter cannot see the attacker

go julie!

Junior Julie Maniak shows good form and has the best return on the varsity team. Opponents had to worry about her offensive power

deep defense

It's a good thing that Toni Sheehy is ready deep in the court. A strong serve from Washington Twp. was easily handled by the junior to set up the offense.

Smooth operators

Moniak complements a scrappy team in a wild season of mixed results

When times looked tough there was one player that the girls could be sure would come through. Junior Julie Moniak was dominant on the court all year long. When the season was over, Julie was honored with the Most Valuable Player award and Best Offense award. She wasn't the only player, though. It took an entire operation to play the way these girls did, who ended their season with winning records against both PCC and non-conference opponents.

time to shine

Rachel Loud enters the game against Washington Twp. with enthusiasm. Players had to be ready at a moment's notice and make the most of their chances since they could enter the rotation only three times per game.

heart stoppers

The greatest heartbreak was losing to Boone Grove in the sectional finals after easily beating them earlier in the season. The Lady Wildcats advanced to the championship game by defeating arch-rival Wheeler, but couldn't keep the momentum going. Hanover won the first game of the match against Boone, but lost games two and three, ending their chance to repeat as sectional champs.

amazing ace

Reacting to an ace by Hanover's server, Adrienne Shroka, Jamie Jenkins, and Jill Kienzle watch with excitement from the bench. The key to serving an ace was watching for weak spots in the opponent's positioning and being able to hit that spot with a solid serve.

on and off the court

The girls were not only talented on the court, but off of the court as well. Brienne Sheehy was named Cedar Lake Junior Miss Contest and active in National Honor Society. Julie Moniak also was active in the honor society and Key Club. Most of the team was involved in school and community activities off the court and juggled minimal free time with studies and extracurricular activities.

and 15 aces later...

Gavit	15-9, 15-12
Clark	15-9, 15-13
South Newton	15-3, 15-6
Crown Point	15-17, 8-15
River Forest	15-4, 15-5
Beecher	15-1, 15-8
Lake Station	15-13, 9-15, 15-11
North Newton	15-3, 15-10
Griffith	13-15, 15-9, 7-15
Washington Twp	15-4, 15-7
Wheeler	14-16, 7-15
LaCrosse	15-2, 15-8
Morton	15-13, 7-15, 17-15
Whiting	16-14, 15-7
Calumet	15-6, 15-2
Gavit	3-15, 13-15
Lowell	6-15, 1-15
Morgan Twp	15-13, 15-10
Hebron	8-13, 2-15
Knuts	15-10, 15-17, 10-15
Boone Grove	15-2, 15-12
PCC Tourney	
Morgan Twp	15-8, 15-2
Hebron	6-15, 11-15
Rensselaer	7-15, 15-12, 13-15
Whiting	13-15, 8-15
Sectional	
Wheeler	17-15, 15-13
Boone Grove	15-11, 9-15, 10-15

PCC Record: 4-3

Season Record: 16-11

We Got Game

Julie Moniak
Offensive Player Award
All-PCC, Team MVP

Brienne Sheehy
Denise Montel Attitude Award, Setter Award

Jill Kienzle
Defensive Player Award

Jenny Bohling
Server Award

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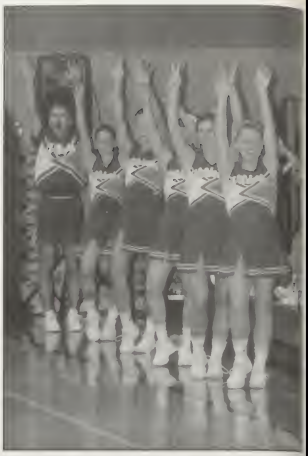
out in front

The cheerleaders move, groove, and do their best to distract the opposing team from making a free throw. They also did their best at trying to get the crowd pumped up.



step in time

Stephanie Geraci, accompanied by Liz Knowles, dance to their stylish rendition of a driving mix. Poms varied their routines from contemporary dance steps to patriotic marches.

'little sally walker'

As Amanda Koeling sings and dances in the circle made by varsity cheerleaders from Hanover and Morgan Twp., the girls on the outside cheer her on. Morgan was the only school that participated in the pre-game fun with the cheerleaders.

pomcats

Front: Cassie Freeman, Carrie Talbert, Lindsay Shelby, LesLee Kaper, Stephanie Geraci, and Rachelle Gram. **Middle:** Liz Knowles, Krystle Reh, Annie Previs, Carrie Freeman, and Kelly Rauguth. **Back:** Manager Ann Sergent, Megan McGovern, Lindsey Allan, Danielle Derisi, Danielle Eiermann. **Not pictured:** Melissa Sobkowitz and Coach Colleen Darnell.

varsity cheerleaders

Front: Rochelle Reinholt, Becky Vanlear, Jill Gorny, and Kristine Egyed. **Back:** Manager Ashley Drysdale, Amanda Koeling, and Adam Walker, Megan Hofer, Melissa Sapher. **Not pictured:** Coach Genie Holmberg.

jv cheerleaders

Front: Tiffany Burgess, Sylvia Darden, and Stephanie Lyons. **Back:** Mari Hofer, Bobbie Jo Burk, Nicole Pempek

Spirit with a Smile

Positive outlook engages home crowds during the long winter months

Beginning every cheer with the attitude," We can do it," the cheerleaders attempted to drive the crowd into a winning frenzy. Although the cheers looked like all fun and games on the court, it actually took hours of fine-tuning. Two-hour practices after school was the norm. One result: senior Adam Walker dazzled the crowd with his countless flips across the gym, drawing stares of disbelief from opposing cheerleaders who could not believe a male was out-performing them.

The 'dry' run

When you thought of a manager, a mean, nasty person might have come to mind. But when the cheerleaders thought of a manager, they remembered Ashley Drysdale. Managing the cheerleading squad wasn't easy. "Being manager is really fun 'cause I get to hang out with some of my friends and get a letter for it," Ashley said.

The early birds

When it came to dedication, the Poms knew the meaning all too well. Waking up with the birds, the squad practiced at 6:30 a.m.– an hour and a half before school. Although they disliked the schedule, most agreed it did help them learn the routines. "I don't mind having practice in the morning and afternoon," Carrie Talbert noted, "as long as it's not like every morning for two weeks."

"Give me a Q!" "Give me an A!"

Danielle Eiermann

Q What was your favorite routine?

A "It's Friday," because it was fast, advanced, and the most fun to perform.

Carrie Talbert

Q What was the most memorable event that happened to you?

A When I lost my shoe on the floor during "If you really want to dance." The floor was really slippery!

Tiffany Burgess

Q If you could have changed something, what would it have been?

A I wish we would have gone to competition and that I could have been a better JV captain.

Rochelle Reinholt

Q Do you play any games with the opposing cheerleaders?

A At one of our home games against Morgan Township the varsity cheerleaders and Morgan's cheerleaders played games. This is one of the only squads in our conference that has ever done stuff like that with us.

Megan Hofer

Q Was there anything funny that happened this year?

A Ha! When Kristine Egyed fell and it was on television.

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wrestling team

Front: Jan Hawe, Chris Bahling, Luke Besse, and Chris Ureno. **Middle:** Nick Ureno, Don Kors, Brian Gley, Chad Patton, Nate Stoley, and Todd Szanyi. **Back:** Adam Kaminski, Dan Stamper, Jan Kawalczyk, Roger Almoguer, and Coach Ron Szanyi. **Not Pictured:** Rich Dabin.

huddle up, men

The wrestling team huddles during the recess at the Crown Point Sectionals. Coach Szanyi gave the squad a little pep talk and rewed them up, leading to improved performances on the mat.

let's get rowdy

Coach Ron Szanyi and coach Scott Campbell get into the rematch against Boone Grove. Coach Szanyi yelled enthusiastically as Coach Campbell was frequently on his feet to direct the wrestlers.

no push over

An opponent from Boone Grove tries to turn over sophomore Nick Ureno. Boone Grove won the first meeting between the teams, 21-48, but the Wildcats edged closer in the rematch, 30-48.

muscle man

With his teammates on the sidelines cheering him on, Jon Howe gets pumped. The team gave him the nickname, "Crazy," because when he wrestled, he looked like a crazy man.

What's in a name?

It wasn't exactly the WWF, but domination was still the goal for every last man

Diving from the turnbuckle. Hitting their opponents over the head with folding chairs. Fighting in the audience. Obnoxious announcers. The wrestling matches were anything but this, but making a name for oneself on the mat was a badge of honor.

Focused on a super season

Junior Jon Howe hustled to a 32-5 personal record and a weight class championship at the North Newton Invite. This was no surprise though, given Howe's love for the sport. On his marked improvement, Howe said, "I trained a lot harder than I ever have before. My intensity and focus was all on creating a better team . . . and stepping up to lead the team."

Hungry for a wolf

Freshman Brian Gley had a lot of nerve as a rookie. Gley said his most memorable match was when he took on an opponent from Boone Grove who had a 65-pound weight advantage. Why? He was the only person who wanted to take on the Boone Grove Wolf. The result? Gley stepped up and won with a pin. Who's howling now?

Pinning it down . . .

River Forest	45-33
Culver Community	21-60
Rossville	40-30
North Newton	18-60
South Newton	54-18
Boone Grove	21-48
South Newton	54-24
Monteno (Illinois)	47-25
Morton	24-51
Munster	12-66
Merrillville	12-63
Boone Grove	30-48
Gavit	30-36
Bishop Noll	19-52
Griffith	9-71
Whiting	43-21
West Side	21-60
Clark	45-36
Whiting	42-42
River Forest	45-15
North Newton	37-33
Peotone (Illinois)	27-42
North Newton	36-42
River Forest	55-15
Wirt	60-9
Sectional	4th
Season Record:	**11-13-1**

Best of Show

Jon Howe
Most Valuable Wrestler

Don Kors
Sportsmanship Award

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posture isn't everything

Like metal attracted to a magnet, freshman Jason Metz directs his 14-pound ball towards the unsuspecting pins. Like many athletes, Jason had the support of his mom and dad at every match.

tripling the fun

Sophomore Lynn Savickas made it all the way to the Regionals after tripling her average at Sectionals. She rolled a 545 series at the Hobart Lanes and was the only regional qualifer from Hanover.

looks may be deceiving

Amanda Luce practices on some "lofty" goals. Throwing the ball in the wrong lane wasn't one of them. In spite of the optical illusion, she just put too much loft on the ball, which really did come down in her own lane.

Rising above the gutter

First bowling season a little hard to pin down

This was the inaugural year for Hanover Central bowling as a sport and it was the second year for the Indiana High School Bowling Conference. The Hanover boy's and girl's teams were made up of bowlers who never really were on a real team before and it certainly was a wake-up call for both squads. They showed their dedication throughout the season and their scores showed it at the end.

"I really had a great time with the team and I wished that the season could have lasted longer," senior Amanda Luce said.

they can't run or hide

If the pins had legs, they could just get up and walk away. Instead, they fall victim to the devastating force of junior Eric Gallo.

girls' bowling club

Front: Lynn Sovickas, Krystle Reh, Melonie Rosinko, Stephanie Roedel, and Amondo Luce. **Not Pictured:** Coach Robert Curtis.

boys' bowling club

Front: Eric Gallo, Christopher Reh, Jason Metz, Ryan Strode, and Adam Koskelo. **Not Pictured:** Coach Robert Curtis.

Oh, what a day!

At sectionals, sophomore Lynn Savikas tripled her league average of 69 to bowl a 545 series enroute to earning her a bid to Regionals in Mishawaka. Stephanie Roedel also earned an alternate spot for regionals.

The Reh Bowlers

Each of the bowling teams had one bowler who had been bowling in the Indiana State Youth American Bowling Alliance program at Stardust III in Dyer and each led their teams respectively. Christopher Reh made it to the Finals of the Masters and Queens Tourney in 1999, Indiana-Kentucky All-Stars team also in 1999, and the State Finals of the Coca-Cola Tourney in 2001. Krystle Reh made it all the way to the State Finals of the Coca-Cola Tourney in 2000, but fell short of going to Nationals.

and 12 strikes later...

Suburban Conference Record:	**30-110**
Season Record:	**54-166**

Each match consisted of 20 points. Ten points were awarded for individual match competition and the other 10 were for winning that particular game.

Bishop Noll	0-20
Hebron	4-16
Lowell	3-17
Highland	2-18
Holiday Team Tourney	15th of 16
Andreon	0-20
Wheeler	10-10
River Forest	11-9
Baker Tourney	7th of 8
Sectional	7th of 8

Best of Show

Lynn Savickas
Regional Qualifier

Christopher Reh
Highest Boy's Average - 198

Stephanie Roedel
Alternate Regional Qualifier

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reach for the sky

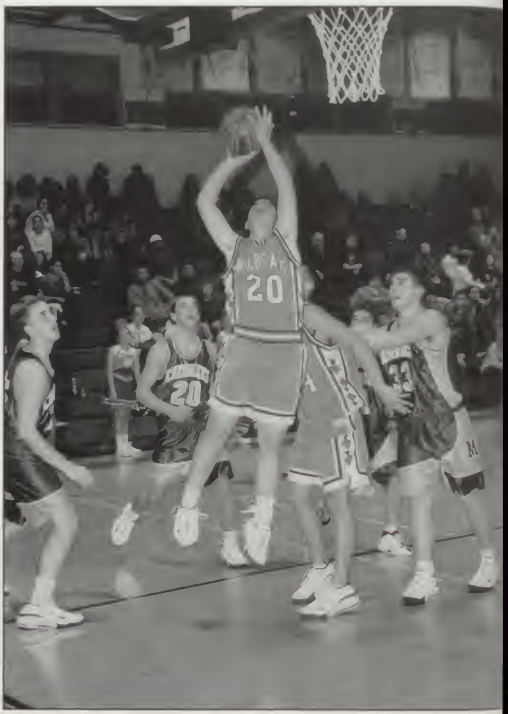
JV player Erik Mantel attempts a lay-up against Hebron during the Homecoming game. Erik went on to make the shot and the Wildcats went on to win the game by five.

use the force

Freshman Adam Suarez concentrates for a penalty shot. Adam was one of the new guys on the team–of course everyone on the freshman squad was new.

through the obstacle course

Taking advantage of a pick by Dave Ploetz, junior Adam Itczak cuts around a Wheeler player on his drive to the basket against Whiting.



Learning along the way

Winning just six games may seem like a small task, but a win is a win

Starting the season off with a loss hit the team hard, but when they came back and won the next two that brought their morale up. Winning six of their 19 games, the JV team proved they could record a few W's in the scorebook. Homecoming brought PCC rival Hebron to town, but the Hawks had to return home sulking over a 35-30 loss. It was always a good feeling to win a game at home, and four of their six wins took place in the Wildcat Den.

Overtime or waste of time

Overtime games were crowd pleasers, they gave life back to the team that needed it and they just had to take advantage of the opportunity. With four overtime games strewn about the schedule the 'Cats played even harder. Unfortunately, Hanover did not win any of the overtime games. While it hurt to lose, learning to compete in tight games was necessary in preparing to play at a varsity level.

Practice, practice, practice

In addition to playing for the fun of it, freshman and JV players needed to know more about the game. Mistakes could always be fixed with practice. The teams practiced plays over and over again until they saw it in their sleep, hopefully to be executed in a game situation. Practice wasn't necessarily everything to a team, but they wouldn't have been anywhere without it.

and 6 wins later...

Lake Station	43-21
Gavit	27-25
Hebron	35-30
Washington Twp	37-40
Kankakee Valley	35-41
Whiting	57-13
Lowell	38-47
Boone Grove	38-45
Beecher	31-36
North Judson	21-40
Washington Twp	44-51
Morgan Twp	30-42
North Newton	44-34
LaCrosse	40-38
Wheeler	34-48
Kouts	42-44
River Forest	25-42
Morton	54-56
Griffith	24-44
Season Record:	**6-13**
Conference Play	**2-5**

freshman scores not provided by the coaching staff

junior varsity basketball team

Front: Adam Miller, Dave Plaetz, Nick Ryan, Aleksander Case, Adam Iczak. **Back:** Owen Goff, Matt Jackson, Michael Ruth, Daniel Kozlawski, and Janathan Radasevich. **Not pictured:** Coach Dave Uran.

freshman basketball team

Front: Tony Kallay, Scott Deatherage, Adam Suarez, Doug Bilinski, and Kyle Rector. **Back:** Coach Jerry Kienzle, Billy Rickey, Adam Arwood, Ryan Carns, Ray Halguin, and Derrick Heltan.

rise above the enemy

In the lane, Nick Ryan gives Adam Miller some room for an easy layup against Morgan Twp. Unfortunately for the Wildcats, the PCC-rival Cherokees were just too strong as they took a 12-point win.

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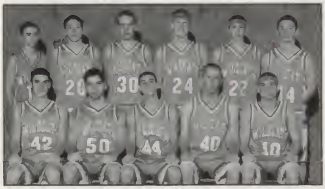
sitting in disappointment

Sitting on the bench and unable to be on the floor only described half the feelings running through the varsity players' minds, especially as the Morgan Twp. game slipped through Hanover's fingers.

flying high

Freshman Brandon Hegg adjusts his shot in mid-air to avoid a defender's block. He was one of several players who jumped all the way up to varsity status as the squad looked for answers.



boys' varsity basketball

Front: Chris Mantel, Nick Medrana, Eddie Roberts, Keith Bulkema, and Mike Wick. **Back:** Jeff Johnson, Aaron Rush, Jeremey Spencer, Brandon Hegg, Bobby Ostrowski, and Erik Mantel. **Not pictured:** Coach Bill Ociepka.

An unb-weave-able season

New coach Ociepka brings 'the weave,' but the varsity season still unravels

Even though new head coach Bill Ociepka brought an outstanding resume, victory escaped the varsity. With former coach Larry Govert moving over to coach the girls' varsity, "Coach O," as his players called him, set sail in youthful waters. A late addition after former Hanover coach Terry Strawbridge resigned before the season even started, Ociepka had to play catch-up from the start. Unfortunately, so did the team.

As the year went on and the guys couldn't seem to clutch a win, Coach Ocepkia put in a slow down offense called "The Weave." Fans and other coaches either hated or liked the strategy. Although few recognized the purpose, the intent was to stay close in the games. Still, team members played their hearts out and lost big–but came close to winning twice late in the season.

Pumpin' it up

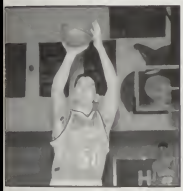
With only three seniors on the team, underclassmen picked up valuable experience. Mike Wick, Nick Medrano, and Chris Mantel returned after playing just a few minutes on the previous year's varsity team and contributed tremendously with the three averaging 20 points a game.

Even though Roger Niemeyer only played half the year, he seemed to be a big part of the team. He kept everyone's spirits up in the locker room despite the score.

"He always helped us to keep are head up and get ready for the next half," Wick said. He was missed the rest of the year.

starting young

Starting out early, freshman Jeff Johnson brings up the ball with authority. Johnson had just three points in this game against Morgan Twp., but scored a season high 13 against River Forest in the sectional semifinals.



making every shot count

Senior Nick Medrano tries to tie the game with a free throw. Although most games were not tied very often, the boys and the fans never gave up. The gym was packed even at the final home game.

rising up

Rising above the competition, senior Chris Mantel takes the jumper over two Morgan Twp. defenders. His solid 14-point performance was a season high.

and 20 games later...

Lake Station	34-40
Gavit	51-68
Hebron	67-87
Washington Township	25-48
Kankakee Valley	31-72
Whiting	31-35
Lowell	29-45
Boone Grove	48 81
Beecher	45-69
North Judson	33 53
LaCrosse	37-73
Morgan Township	46-48
North Newton	51-71
LaCrosse	39-63
Wheeler	44-64
Kouts	60-85
River Forest	62-64
Morton	55-72
Griffith	32-51
Sectionals	
River Forest	53-60
PCC Record:	**0-7**
Season Record:	**0-20**

Best of Show

Chris Mantel
Most Valuable Player
Defensive Player

Mike Wick
Most Valuable Player
Offensive Player

Erik Mantel
Assist Leader

Brandon Hegg, Jermey Spencer
Newcomer of the Year

Eddie Roberts
Rebound Leader

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junior varsity basketball

Front: Karrah Adam, Melanie Braner, Bridget Castner, Katie Burke, and Shannon Phillips **Back:** Katie Westerhoff, Rachel May, Jaclyn Kienzle, and Jacinda James. **Not Pictured:** Coach Chris York, Heather Hayden, Ashley Hayden, and Jillian McElmurry.

top this

With a height advantage over North Newton, Katie Burke gets ready for the jump ball to start the game. The tall sophomore also saw some varsity action.

isolation play

While looking for a teammate, freshmen Jaclyn Kienzle tries to keep the ball from Valparaiso's players. She didn't have any fouls during that game.

cornering a 'cat

Trapped in the corner, Melanie Braner looks for another Lady Wildcat to receive a pass. North Newton kept the pressure on all night and handed Hanover a 32-47 non-conference loss.

Staying on track

Young coach leads young squad to a winning record

When the name Chris York was mentioned, track and geography typically came to mind. But with an opening in the coaching staff, the former Hanover student took on a new role–coach of the girls' junior varsity basketball team.

"I wanted another chance to work with (varsity coach) Govert," Coach York said, "we work well together." Leading the girls to an 11-9 season, the new coach hardly looked like a rookie. He had a secret weapon, though. "Mr. York's leather pants really inspired us!" Jacinda James commented.

Dealing with another kind of loss

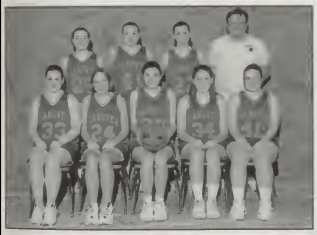
However tough it may have been, the girls had to overcome the huge loss of Lindsey Parks. Their way of remembering: wristbands with her number, 21, and a black strap on their jerseys. "The whole thing was devastating and hard, especially when you realize that you grew up playing basketball with Lindsey," Jillian McElmurry said. Team members coped in different ways. Some remained quiet, while others were open and eager to communicate, but they all missed her deeply.

They're all important, but . . .

Most of the girls said there was no single important game, all of them were important. But a special moment? "(It was) the fact that we made it to the PCC tourney championship," Jacinda James said.

jump for that ball

Going against a tough team from Valparaiso, Ashley Hayden jumps for the ball. Hayden only had one foul and two points during the game



freshman basketball

Front: Rachel May, Kelli Yukan, Ashley Hayden, Courtney Kelman, and Alicia Walkowiak **Back:** Heather Hayden, Bess Copak, Jaclyn Kienzle, and Coach James Hunley **Not pictured:** Crystal Cappage and Katie Westerhaff.

and 80 junior varsity quarters later. . .

North Judson	34-44
Wheeler	27-23
Lowell	33-21
LaCrosse	27-29
Kouts	42-27
River Forest	31-12
Munster	40-25
Highland	22-52
Washington Township	28-24
Hebron	27-24
Kankakee Valley	20-40
Washington Township	25-32
North Newton	32-47
Wheeler	21-15
Boone Grove	36-46
Boone Grove	31-34
Momence	36-18
Morgan Township	37-20
Hammond Gavit	35-13
Rensselaer	19-32
PCC Record:	**5-4**
Season Record:	**11-9**

plus a few freshman games for good measure. . .

Merrillville	24-32
Habart	25-27
North Newton	45-24
Lake Central	31-16
Beecher	19-20
Valparaiso	16-24
Whiting	11-3
Bishop Noll	24-18
Season Record:	**4-4**

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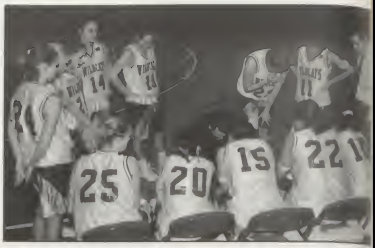

a new floor plan

First-year girls' coach Larry Gavert diagrams a new play for the offense during a timeout. New JV coach Chris York observes the action and helped Coach Gavert watch for offensive and defensive opportunities.

sectional sensation

All by herself, senior Kelly Garrett goes for the shot with her Boone Grove opponents close behind. Kelly helped her team win over the Lady Wolves with an 18-point effort in the sectional match-up.

up, up, and away

With Momence players right behind her, Kelly Garrett goes for a lay-up. Although the senior guard made just 17 percent of her shots for the season, she knew how to take advantage of the breakaway.

Continued success

New season, new coach

After seven years as head coach of the boys' varsity team and turning down a job as assistant coach at Calumet High School, Larry Govert took on his first season as coach of the varsity girls' basketball team. And even with a new coach, the team had a relatively good season with a 13-7 record.

Walking wounded

The Lady Wildcats had to deal with their share of injuries over the season, one of which was team captain Kelly Garrett's, seriously sprained ankle. Other injuries included Julie Moniak straining her Achilles tendon and Katie Meyer having surgery done to her knee. Sophomore Sarah Csikos also experienced asthma problems, but there was no complaining and they didn't use the health problems as an excuse.

No three-peat here

Despite the Lady Wildcats' good season, they didn't continue their reign as sectional champs. After beating Wheeler in the first round and reaching the final round after defeating Boone Grove, the girls were put up against the Hebron Lady Hawks. Hebron was more than prepared for the game, surging past Hanover for a 51-29 victory.

Jump for that ball

Junior Julie Moniak goes for the jump ball at the beginning of the game against North Newton. She had the teams' highest number of shots made for the season at 325.

Girl's varsity basketball team

Front: Megan McElmurry, Elizabeth Wendlinger, Christine Wojvoda, Julie Moniak, and Kelly Garrett **Back:** Adrienne Shroka, Jennifer McMullin, Amber Westerhoff, and Sarah Csikos **Not Pictured:** Coach Larry Govert.

20 Games later...

North Judson	46-67
Wheeler	68-49
Lowell	35-26
LaCrosse	57-42
Kouts	41-54
River Forest	53-47
Watseka	59-28
T.F. South	63-39
Momence	51-40
Washington Township	42-26
Hebron	51-60
Wheeler	62-71
North Newton	62-66
Boone Grove	66-58
Momence	48-39
Morgan Township	55-44
Gavit	37-43
Wheeler Sectional	
Wheeler	42-36
Boone Grove	51-45
Hebron	29-51
Season Record:	**13-7**

Best of Show

Kelly Garrett
Co-MVP, Defensive Award

Julie Moniak
Co-MVP, Offensive Award

Beth Wendlinger
Wildcat Award

Amber Westeroff
Most Improved

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power swing

Swinging with fury, team medialist Bryan Brightwell takes a forceful swing to place the ball as close to the green as possible. Brightwell was the team's top finisher in every match of the season.

stay put next time

Aaron Rush drives the ball to the green after a strong approach shot at the Monastery course. He improved enough by mid-season to play varsity in every match.

send the ball home

Accuacy is no problem for Eric Yukon as he lines up the ball with the hole.

Course corrections

Seeing the (River) Forest for the trees, these drivers really knew their woods.

With six returning golfers on the roster, coach Scott Campbell's hopes of a successful golf team were bolstered. The addition of several new faces put his goal just a few strokes away. With an opening match win over River Forest, the squad stayed competitive all year. Even freshman Jason Metz was able to play an essential role in the team's success. "I thought the golf team did very well," Metz commented.

A 'four'ce to rekon with

In their season opener, Hanover found the home Monastery course to their liking as they easily defeated River Forest, 182-208. Bryan Brightwell led the team with a 43 on the front nine, par 36 course. Mike Stamate and Adam Miller followed with 45s, and Eric Yukon rounded out the field with a 49. All four finished ahead of the Ingot's top finisher, who carded a 50.

Like kissing your sister

Team scores usually included only the first four players' rounds, but after Hanover and Rensselaer were tied at the end of their match, the fifth-man score kicked in. The Bombers' Mike Asbell carded a 50, while Eric Yukon was one stroke back at 51. The difference gave Rensselaer the win, though the official score for the match was 174-174. Bryan Brightwell led all golfers with a 38 on the par 36 Monastery course. Mike Stamate and Adam Miller each scored 44, while Erik Mantel finished with a 48.

chip it to the green

On the fifth hole, Erik Montel takes a hearty swing, sending the ball soaring through the air and landing on the green. He and Eric Yukon often were within a stroke or two in their meets all season long.

practice makes perfect

Chris Pinkowski works on his swing before the last match of the season against Lake Central.

boys' golf

Front: Jason Metz, Bryan Brightwell, Andy Miller, Erik Montel, Brian Mirich, and Chris Pinkowski. **Back:** Adam Miller, Mike Stamate, Eric Yukon, Aaron Rush, James Todd, and Coach Scott Campbell.

and 18 holes later...

River Forest	182-208
Portage	154-175
Morton	188-177
Wheeler	184-167
Kankakee Valley	184-169
Rensselaer	174-174
Elkhart Invite	394, 5th
River Forest	178-189
Boone Grove	178-177
North Newton	175-177
Boone Grove	190-169
Rensselaer Invitational	375
Boone Grove Invite	169, 2nd
Gavit	176-181
South Newton	181-190
Lowell	186-168
Lake Central Invitational	355
Kouts	169-161
Lake Central	193-151

Season Record: 5-9-1

Best of Show

Bryan Brightwell
MVP, Low Putting Average, Mental Attitude Award

Erik Mantel
Most Improved

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shuttle shuffle

In an unusual event, freshman Lindsay Vitalo runs a leg of the shuttle hurdles at Hanover Relays. Four runners (two in each direction) race over four flights of hurdles and tag each other.

pull, push, throw

As senior Shannon McLaughlin warms up to throw in the shot put, she sets herself in position and checks her form. A combination of speed and "putting" from near the head were key to good throws.

double duty

In addition to her hurdling skills, sophomore Sarah Csikos doubles as a high jumper at the Hanover Relays. For team scoring and individual honors, her height was added to another Lady Wildcat high jumper to determine the event champion.

girls' track team

Front: Becky VanLear, Megan Hoffer, Nicole Popper, Lindsay Shelby, and Heather Hayden. **Row 2:** Katie Burke, Lyndsie Vitolo, Liz Bilinski, Jacinda James, Karrah Adam, and Ashley Hayden. **Row 3:** Fallon Mirich, Rachel May, Sarah Csikas, Melissa Braner, Megan Vassar, Danielle Derisi, and Melody Willy. **Back:** Assistant Coach Bannie Beamer, Stephanie Carrall, Lynn Savickas, Stephanie Huppenthal, Bridget Castner, Shannon McLaughlin, Amanda Koeling, and Coach Carol Grady. **Not Pictured:** Lynn Pokrojoc.

strategy stretch

While getting ready for their events, senior Megan Vassar, sophomore Jacinda James, and freshman Katie Burke talk a little strategy for keeping the Hanover Relays title.

A perfect 10, plus one

For eleven years the Lady Wildcats remained perfect in PCC track. They still are.

Ain't no mountain high enough

No matter what obstacle stood in their way, the girls raced over every PCC opponent to become champions again. Some of the conference meets were a little closer this time, but this team was determined to keep the streak alive.

Despite losing a key distance runner, Kelly Garrett, to softball, the Lady Wildcats found success in other areas, especially Sarah Csikos in the hurdles. Senior Shannon McLaughlin also left her mark.

Wonder woman

McLaughlin earned All-PCC honors in shot put and discus by claiming both titles in the PCC Meet. She dominated almost every opponent she faced. "I knew coming into the year that this was going to be my year to do it in and luckily for me it was," she said. He luck continued until sectionals when she fell just short of advancing to regionals.

Another streak continues

In addition to the PCC streak, the Lady Wildcats helped keep the Hanover Relays crown at home for the sixth straight year. Scores for the event were combined with the boys' results to determine the team champion.

more than a decade later...

Merrillville Quadrogular

Merrillville	36 5-75
Munster	36 5-55
Lowell	36 5-32 5
Kankakee Valley	37 5-85 5
Boone Grove	75 5-42.5
Wheeler	70 5-52.5
Morgan Township	68-55
Hebron	75-48
Kouts	95-28
Washington Township	84-37
LaCrosse	115 7
Hanover Relays	1st of 5
Calumet Invitational	2nd of 8
PCC Meet	1st of 8
Sectionals	Tie for 8th of 11

PCC Record:	**7-0**
Season Record:	**8-3**

Best of Show

Liz Bilinski
Rookie-of-the-Year

Lyndsie Vitolo
Rookie-of-the-Year

Rachel May
Most Improved

Shannon McLaughlin
Outstanding Field Events

Sarah Csikos
Outstanding Runner

Megan Vassar
Mental Attitude

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hold tight

Keith Buikema hands off the baton in the middle of the exchange zone to Chris Mantel just a few steps behind River Forest. Mantel caught and passed the lead runner and claimed the race for the Wildcats.

playin' in the sand

Grimmacing from impact, Eddie Roberts struggles to stay on his feet. Eddie's specialty was dominating the field events from high jump to long jump.

didn't I just clear one of these?

Clearing the hurdle with ease, Ben Mentink sets his sights on the next barrier. Since Ben was a freshmen he could look forward to three more years of shuttle hurdles at the annual Hanover Relays.

defender at the ready

Bracing his foot against the starting block, senior Rich Dobin waits for the "set" command from the starter at the Lowell Relays. Hanover defended its title in the Block Division against four other schools.

It's not where you start...

Everyone was even at the starting line, but getting to the finish was not so easy.

Working out in the weight room or outside on a cold, windy track was a given for those who ran track. Tired legs, sore muscles, and strained body parts were a common. The discomfort, however, was a small price to pay when finishing first at the finish line.

just a little higher

Gritting his teeth and staying focused, Eddie Roberts uses a little body English in his high jump attempt. Roberts cleared the bar and landed softly on the pad.

a surprise second

Even though they did not place first in the PCC Meet, second was better than some expected. Chris Mantel came through with first place wins in the 400-m dash, and was on the 1600-m relay team along with Jon Howe, Adam Itczak, and Keith Buikema. Both the 400 and 1600 were meet records and the runners were awarded All-PCC honors for their victories.

boys' track

Front: Ryan Thomas, Adam Itczak, Brian Bugajski, Charlie Sears, and Dean Nelson **Row 2:** Jim Zerby, Bobby Ostrowski, Adam Davis, Ben Mentink, Nick Urena, Adam Walker, and Ryan May **Row 3:** Mike Urena, Mike Staples, Jon Howe, Billy Rickey, and Rich Thomas. **Back:** Coach Chris York, Chris Mantel, Eddie Roberts, Keith Buikema, Rich Dobin, and Coach Steve Foulds.

Strong on the home field

Hosting the Hanover Relays proved to be prosperous for the Wildcats. Taking first with a score of 127, they overwhelmed Boone Grove, Hebron, River Forest, and Lake Station. During the Sprint Medley a fight broke out–a fight for first place between Rich Dobin and River Forest's Rafeale Price. Hanover lost the race by just 1.4 seconds, but pounded the Ingots in the meet.

and lotsa laps later...

Kankakee Valley	56-76
Gavit	77-46
Boone Grove	56-76
Wheeler	73-51
Morgan Township	48-84
Hebron	93-39
Washington Township	72-60
LaCrosse	91 36
Hanover Relays	1st of 5
Munster	76 180
Gavit	76-76
Andrean	76-93
Clark	76-27
Calumet	76 33
Lowell Relays	1st of 5
PCC Meet	2nd of 7
Sectional	5th

PCC Record: **4-2**

Season Dual Meet Record: **9-6**

Best of Show

Eddie Roberts
Most Valuable–Field Events

Rich Dobin
Most Valuable Sprinter

Chris Mantel
Most Valuable Distance, Mental Attitude Award, PCC Mental Attitude Award

Adam Walker
Most Improved Runner

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all smiles for the ladies

Senior Michelle Barger tosses a ball to Coach Kienzle after warming up. She usually threw it when no one was looking and in fun may have wanted to hit one of the coaches. Michelle was a great defensive help at third base and an offense turned in a solid .250 batting average.

Varsity Softball

Front: Shannon Phillips, Brienne Sheehy, Kelly Garrett, Lynn Malnar, and Cassie Freeman. **Middle:** Megan Myers, Adrienne Shraka, Cathy Halmalka, Jen Bahling, Catie Carnett, and Sara Jager. **Back:** Michelle Barger, Amber Westerhaff, Jamie Jenkins, Beth Wendlinger, and Coach Larry McMillan.

sliding to safety

With senior Kelly Garrett the fastest player on the team, the Wildcats encouraged her to steal bases as she did sliding in just in time at third. Kelly was a huge help to the team, which was grateful that she didn't run track this season as she did in past years.

bunting forward

Setting up for a bunt to help move a teammate from first to second is senior Brienne Sheehy. The Lady Wildcats used this strategy often during the year in manufacturing some runs.

slapping the competition

Cassie Freeman (bottom photo) is good at placing the ball where it was hard for the defense to throw out the runner moving from first to second. A slap bunt was usually helpful when one of the faster girls used to get a nice roll and beat out the throw to first.

strike three

"Strike three!" was a familiar sound for pitcher Beth Wendlinger who ended the season striking out 343 batters. She also did not give up an earned run until the last regular season game against Whiting, but the Lady Wildcats still won the game.

A dominant force

Wendlinger leads the way to a sixth-ranked season with stellar pitching

The Lady Wildcats worked hard all year, losing only three games. They were ranked in the Post Tribune and Times Top 10 all season. They also were ranked sixth (2A) in the state. The girls proved they had what it took to compete with the best. Even though Beth Wendlinger pitched several no-hitters, perfection was still a grasp away.

Eleventh inning stretch leads to PCC title

After two long days of hard competition the Lady Wildcats came out on top in the PCC tourney. It was a cold day from the start, but the girls proved in the snow storm at Wheeler that nothing could stop them from being champions. With a scoreless game through 11 innings, the Lady Wildcats proved that if you believe, miracles do happen. The team brought home the title after beating Boone Grove, 1-0, with some hard work and dedication in 11 innings.

The one that got away

When Hanover drew the bye for sectionals, local powerhouse Andrean got off the hook from facing the Lady Wildcats. Still, it was still a sectional to remember. After beating Bishop Noll 2-0 in the second round, Hanover fought the Griffith Panthers for the championship. After scoring two runs in the first inning, momentum favored Hanover. But Griffith fired back in the sixth inning with four runs to take and keep a 4-2 lead. Despite the loss, the Lady Wildcats took pride in their 29-3 season and their PCC Tourney and round-robin championships.

and 3 strikes later...

Gavit	won*
Chesterton	1-0
Bishop Noll (DH)	5-0, 1-6
North Newton	won*
Munster	8-0
Hebron	17-0
Wheeler	5-1
Lowell	2-0
Beecher	9-3
LaCrosse	won*
River Forest	won*
Morton	2-0
South Newton	won*
Kouts	10-0
Crown Point	2-0
Rensselaer	13-1
Morgan Township	4-0
Boone Grove	6-2
Twin Lakes Tourney	0-1
East Chicago	won*
Washington Township	10-0
Griffith	2-1
PCC Tourney	
Morgan Township	won*
Kouts	10-0
Boone Grove	1-0
Kankakee Valley	won*
Whiting	2-1
Sectional	
Bishop Noll	won*
Calumet	3-0
Griffith	2-4
PCC Record:	**6-1**
Season Record:	**10-1**

*Score not available from coaches

Best of Show

Beth Wendlinger
MVP, Offensive Award

Brienne Sheehy
Mental Attitude Award

Bess Copak
Defensive Award

Cathy Holmolka
Most Improved

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Construction ahead

The road to a varsity spot was long and winding, but worth it

After losing many players from last season or the fact that they did not want to play again forced junior varsity baseball coach Mike Steele to start from scratch. "We started out the year 2-1, but tough teams and poor fielding led to seven losses in a row," he said. "Inclement weather forced us to miss out on quite a few games. The kids stuck with it and played for most of the season."

new and improved

Always a challenge, Coach Kienzle was the man chosen for the task of creating a winning jv girls' softball team. The team jelled and won many games, some impressively. Amanda Schau noted her favorite moment was "when I pitched against Rensselaer and slaughtered them, 30-3."

nine went out, eight came back

When the jv baseball team was getting slaughtered by Morton, both physically and mentally, it was time for a switch. Taking everyone out with the exception of pitcher Aaron Boileau, Coach Steele replaced the other eight fielders. "I thought coach Steele should have taken only the players that were making mistakes out, rather than the players that were playing a decent game," Danny Kozlowski said. "On the other hand, the guys that went in closed the game out strong."

jv baseball and 42 outs later...

Washington Township	3-9
E C Central	10-5
Hebron	13-10
Kouts	5-10
Lowell	0-2
Morton	3-16
Wheeler	14-16
River Forest	2-12
Griffith	6-20
Highland	9-22
North Newton	14-12
Season Record:	**3-8**

jv softball

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swing and a miss

Dan Kozlawski tries to catch up with a fast ball, but fouls it back. The freshman hung tough with the pitcher and eventually walked.

jv baseball

Front: Scott Deatherage, Adam Suarez, Daniel Kozlawski, Bi Gley, Chris Bohling, and Adam Warnhaff. **Back:** Aaron Boile Josh Arflin, Matt Jackson, Adam Arwood, Wyatt Vukobratovi Ray Holguin, Coach Michael Steele. **Not pictured:** Joson Bel

added incentive

Katie Westerhoff, Wendy Gasior and Amber Wolkowiak sit the bench with the varsity and enjoy a fun moment after their own game.

such decisions

On the pitching mound, Scott Deatherage waits for the catcher to signal and decides on the best pitch to throw to the Lowell batter. The result is shown below.

down and out

Scurrying to get to the ball as fast as he can, Scott Deatheroge runs from the mound and fields a weak ground ball. The freshman picked it up in time to throw out Lowell's runner at first base.

jv softball

Front: Deborah Wilkin, Nicole Pempek, and Julie Titak **Middle:** Trisha Sheehy, Megan Myers, Katie Westerhoff, and Cassie Freeman **Back:** Jaclyn Kienzie, Courtney Keilman, Amanda Shau, Elizabeth Rocks, and Lydia Mastey.

a contact sport

Senior Tim Schatke hits the ball all the way to center field and almost out of the ball park. He scored 24 runs during the season, the most of any player on the team.

base numbers

Leading off at first base, Marvi Baileau gets ready to head to second at the signal. He was on base 591 times during the season more than anyone on the team.

slide all the way

Todd Szanyi successfully steals third base on a signal from his coach (and dad). He had the most stolen bases on the team at 19.

Posting a better season

Through rain, sleet, wind, and even hot weather, the BatCats deliver with fun

Climbing a mountain

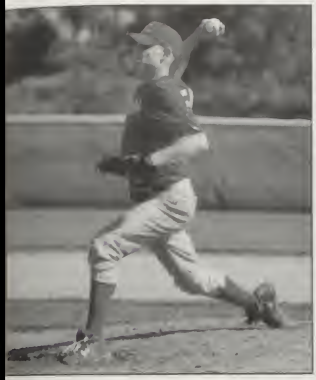
The boys' varsity baseball team improved by three wins over the previous year, in spite of facing some state-ranked opponents. PCC rivals Washington Twp. and Boone Grove both rated among the best in class. Given a history of tough seasons, this one turned out fairly well. "We played good together. We came together and worked as a team to put some wins under our belt," team veteran Dave Guzaski commented.

Worse than the curse

When the Wildcats started having trouble at the plate, they borrowed a little trick from Hollywood. "After a three-game hitting slump, the baseball [team] gathered all their bats at home plate and, as was in the movie 'Major League,' attempted to remove the curse using fried chicken, Mountain Dew, and bubble gum cigars," coach Ron Szanyi said. "It didn't work."

going the distance

As a senior, Mike Wick pitches a full game against Morgan at the PCC Tourney. For the year, he had 48 strikeouts.



getting the last word

Coach Ron Szanyi heads for the dugout after a chat with the umpire and assistant coach Mike Steele after the PCC Tourney loss to Morgan Twp. Szanyi also coached wrestling and taught boys' gym.

varsity baseball

Front: Brandan Douglas, Todd Szanyi, Jon Radosevich, and Jesse James. **Middle:** Matt Urbanczyk, Jeremy Spencer, Dave Guzaski, Eric Gallo, Mike Wick, and Marvin Boileau **Back:** Tim Schotke, Roger Niemeyer, Brandan Barks, Don Kors, and Coach Ron Szanyi.

7th inning stretch...

Lowell	0-13
Griffith	0-11
Clark	1-4
Whiting	7-3
Noll	1-15
Noll	8-15
Washington Township	5-11
Morgan Township	6-2
Beecher	14-17
Beecher	7-6
Boone Grove	2-6
Gary West Side	10-2
South Newton	2-14
East Chicago Central	10-8
Kouts	6-1
Hebron	4-6
Calumet	10-5
LaCrosse	9-6
Wheeler	4-17
River Forest	5-4
North Newton	1-6
Morgan	0-2
Gavit	3-2
Gary Roosevelt	5-3
Hebron	0-1
PCC Record:	**3-4**
Season Record:	**11-14**

Best of Show

Tim Schotke
Most Improved, Academic All-State

Todd Szanyi
All-Conference, Best Offensive Player

Mike Wick
Pitching Award, Co-Most Valuable

Roger Niemeyer
Co-Most Valuable Player

Don Kors
Sportsmanship Award

Dave Guzaski
Hustle Award

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Layout
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coming back for more

Although the season is over, Toni Sheehy said she likes to get back into the swing of things during the summer. "I am out of practice, but it will all come back to me."

racket rules

"Mr. Whitacre was always trying to teach us to do this swoop thing with the racket," Julie Maniak said. "I try to be as good at playing tennis, but he is just too good."

in with the best

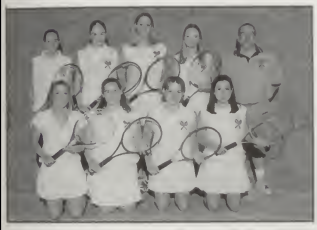
Now that she has had more practice, Toni Sheehy can start the next season with the feeling that she can rise to the top. She won most of her matches during the season, but said she is shooting for an even better season next year.

Hot meets, cool treats

Sometimes all it takes is a frosty incentive to gain an edge and another win

girls' junior varsity tennis

Front: Lisa Joranawski, Melonie Rasinka, Jen Smith, Ashley VanGorp, and Amanda Huffnagle **Back:** Kelly Yukon, Katie Potter, Katie Jacobsen, Lauro Jens, Stacey Huppenthol, and Coach Greg Whitacre.



girls' varsity tennis

Front: Miranda Spindler, Nagisa Banks, Toni Sheehy, and Mary Ann Grgic **Back:** Megan McElmurry, Jillian McElmurry, Julie Maniok, Stephanie Roedel, and Coach Greg Whitacre.

a smashing serve

Julie Moniak practices with friends after school on a sunny summer day. Her furious serves could intimidate anyone on the receiving end off the court.

Coach Greg Whitacre's girls' varsity tennis team edged above a .500 season with some talent and treats. Although the team lost at sectionals to Griffith, 2-3, there was one sweet spot. "Julie Moniak, who had a winning record at number one singles, advanced to regionals by winning qualifying matches against other sectional number ones," Coach Whitacre explained, "but her season ended with a 2-6, 4-6, loss to a Lowell girl who went downstate."

fun, music, and milkshakes

During one of the games, Coach Whitacre told the girls that if at any point in the match they could hit the opposing girl with the ball he would buy them ice cream. Most of the opposing teams managed to dodge or return the incoming balls, but there were a few girls slow on their feet and went home with a bruise. The Lady Wildcats went home with milkshakes and jammin' to tunes.

attitude reflects leadership

The junior varsity tennis team had a terrific season, Coach Whitacre noted, winning many of their games. Amanda Huffanagle along with Miranda Spindler were key influences. Both were also given the opportunity to play at the varsity level. The team, working together, had a wonderful season with lots of improvement.

with no love lost . . .

Kankakee Valley	5-0
Gavit	1-4
Calumet	3-2
Boone Grove	3-2
Griffith	2-3
River Forest	3-2
East Chicago	1-4
Whiting	Win by forfeit*
Wheeler	1-4
Boone Grove	2-3
Sectional	2-3
Season Record:	**6-5**

*Coach Whitacre noted that Whiting chose to leave rather than play when only one of Hanover's courts was too wet to use for play

Best of Show

Julie Moniak
Most Valuable Player

Mary Ann Grgic
Mental Attitude Award

Megan McElmurry
Most Improved Player

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by Andrew Couwenhoven

Layout
by Andrea Slam-Burandt

Count on Us

There was strength in numbers, but who could you really count on among the 466 students and 70 faculty and staff members? Day-to-day and week-to-week, we learned how similar, yet different we were. But when things really mattered, everyone could always count on someone being there just for you.

YOU CAN ALWAYS COUNT ON ASHLEY Drysdale and Danielle Eiermann to be at the JV and varsity baseball games. Since they had friends on both teams, they were dedicated to seeing them play on the field as often as they could.

COUNTLESS ROLLS OF TOILET PAPER, paper towels and plastic wrap engulf band director John Gorball's truck after a concert. Given Mr. Gorball's great sense of humor, Matt Wiarda, Erin Maloney, Jeremy Deenik, and Adam Walker didn't worry much about the consequences.

Good Bye

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In a year riddled with misfortune, 14-year teacher Barbara Williams passed away December 3.

"My aunt was a strong person who fought long and hard to survive. She influenced hundreds of kids through the years of teaching. She will be missed very much at school and in my family. We love you Aunt Barb," Kristy Brownd said.

In 1995, she was named Teacher of the Year and more recently was named to the "Who's Who Among American Teachers." Junior Danielle Eiermann had Mrs. Williams her sophomore year and said, "She was a good teacher and inspired me to stay in math class." At Hanover she was of chairman for the math department, a class sponsor, coach for the Math Academic Bowl, and spent many extra hours tutoring students.

lending a helping hand

Needing a little extra help, former student Mike Kil asks Mrs. Barbara Williams for some expert advice with those dreaded quadratic equations. Mike was one of many students benefitting from her dedication.




Mary Anderson
Custodian
Bonnie Beamer
Health, Physical Education
Linda Beard
Concert Choir, Swing Choir, Madrigals
Scott Campbell
Biology, Golf, Wrestling
Barbara Cole
Special Education Aide
Debbie Cummins
Cafeteria Staff




Coleen Darnell
LDL Facilitator, Office Aide, Poms Sponsor
Marylin Dema
Head Custodian
Judy DeVries
Special Education Aide
Mary Joan Dickson
Key Club, ISS Supervisor
Robin Dillon
Physics
Sharon Egyed
Cafeteria Manager




Joseph Fetty
Principal
Michael Frazier
Publications, English, JV Boys' Volleyball
Lila Garrett
Guidance Counselor
Jennifer Gonzales
Aide to Mr McCormick
John Gorball
Concert Band, Pep Band, Pit Orchestra
Carol Grady
Phys. Ed, Health, Girls' Varsity Volleyball, Track




Connie Gramit
French, French Club
Marcia Gross
Honors Geometry, Geometry, A.P. Calculus
Steve Gustas
Spanish, Boys' Varsity Volleyball, Drama
Maggie Hekstoen
Guidance Counselor
Genie Holmberg
Cafeteria Staff, Cheerleading
James Hunley
Attendance Officer




Doug James
Athletic Director
Lee Johnson
Construction, Metals, Transpnrt I & II
Doug Justus
Assistant Principal
Patrick Joyce
Algebra II, Honors Algebra II, Precalculus
Sandy Kiechle
Classical Lit., Creative Writing, RWW
Jean Kirk
Child Development, Consumer Econ., Housing, Adv Foods & Nutrition

A change of pace

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If you had something that you wanted to add to those agenda books, you would have taken it up with the school board–the new school board, that is. In spring of 2000, the school board elections were held. And in one of the largest turnovers in recent memory, three new board members were elected to office.

"I believe they are doing the best they can for the students, which is what matters," principal Joseph Fetty said, "and over the next four years they will serve the school well." With the power to run the district and create school policies, the board was ready for action.

hanover school board

Front: Joan Torrence and Sam Tortorici.
Back: Jim Turturillo, Marylin Kaper, and Bill Westerhoff.

Not Pictured

Larry Govert
World & US Geography, US History, Current World Affairs, Girls' Varsity Basketball

Louis Greer
Advanced 2nd & 3rd Year Art, Ceramics, Clay, Art Club

Virginia Higgins
Pre-Vocational

Stephen Johns
Assistant Superintendent

Bobbie Knight
Cafeteria Staff

Lisa Koester
LDL Facilitator, Athletic Dept. Aide

Robert Krol
Chemistry, Physics, Snowball sponsor

Steve Landis
English

George Letz
Superintendent

Laura Marzotto
Business, Marketing, Sports Marketing, DECA

Joy McColley
Office Secretary

Tim McCormick
Special Education

Cynthia Miller
Algebra I

Ed Palmisano
Psychologist

Marie Pritchard
Pre-Vocational

Eugene Rajchel
RWW II, Film Lit., Amer. Lit., Speech, Tech Prep

Nelli Ribicki
Cafeteria Staff

Pam Roberts
Pre-Vocational Learning Disabilities

Gayle Stanford
Cafeteria Staff

Donna Seegers
Guidance Secretary

Penny Staley
Cafeteria Staff

Arden Smith
Comm. Systems, Comp. Design & Production

Michael Steele
Earth Science, JV Baseball

Ron Szanyi
Physical Ed., Wrestling, Varsity Baseball

Ann Thompson
Sociology, Gov.-Econ., Girls' JV Volleyball

Terri Vercel
Nurse

Carol Webb
School-to-Work Coordinator

Greg Whitacre
US History, Tennis

William Whitestine
Keyboarding, Document Processing, Computer Applications

Judy Wirtz
Pre-Vocational

Brett Wright
Adv. English, RWW I, RWW II

Christopher York
Track

fresh, hard workers

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How would you feel as a freshman and having a lot of responsibilities? Ryan May faced that daily. Active with the Key Club, he helped with some of the fundraisers such as the kiddie carnival in the fall. "We donated all the money that we made from the carnival to Bryan Martin," Ryan noted. Martin attended school until seizures prevented him from continuing.

During Christmas break, May helped Holy Name Church deliver poinsettias to elderly people and shut-ins. "Also during the break, Charlie Sears and a few other members went out caroling," Ryan said. His selfless attitude and caring spirit no doubt put a song in everyone's heart.

key people

Key Club class representatives and officers included **(front):** Ryan May, Adrienne Shroka, president; and Stephanie McMullin. **Back:** Stephanie Huppenthal, vice president, Sean Meehan, Beth Wendlinger, secretary; and Lindsey Allan, treasurer. Not pictured: Carrie Talbert.

Sarrah Adam, 9
Gram Alcantar, 9
Lindsey Allan, 10
Catherine Allen, 11
Roger Almaguer, 11
Alicia Anderson, 9
Rachael Anderson, 9
Christopher Angell, 10

Josh Arflin, 11
Adam Arwood, 9
Robyn Arwood, 11
Beth Baker, 11
Darryl Baker, 9
Melanie Barth, 11
Tiffany Barker, 9
Brandon Barks, 11

April Barnes, 9
Amanda Bartholomew, 11
Jason Beyse, 9
Luke Beyse, 9
Adam Beyson, 11
Dean Bibabis, 10
Josh Bielak, 10
Doug Bilinski, 9

Liz Bilinski, 9
David Binder, 10
Robert Binder, 11
Megan Bird, 9
Roger Blisset, 9
Chris Bohling, 9
Aaron Boileau, 9
Marvin Boileau, 11

Erin Bonaventura, 11
Ryan Bonner, 11
Steve Bork, 11
Joel Bormann, 9
Erin Bourrell, 11
Meredith Bourrell, 9
Christy Bowker, 10
Melissa Brammer, 10

Bryan Brightwell, 11
Michelle Brown, 9
Ryan Brown, 9
Sonya Brown, 11
Connie Browind, 9
Keith Buikema, 11
Brian Bukala, 9
Phillip Bunge, 10

Tiffany Burgess, 10
Bobbie Burk, 11
Katie Burke, 9
David Burkhardt, 9
Heather Burkhardt, 11
Jennifer Burroughs, 10
Mark Busch, 10
Jacob Camus, 9

In Loving Memory

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When the year started, everything seemed like it was perfectly planned out and it was going to be a great year for everyone until November 24. A train crash took the lives of Lindsey Parks and her mother, Deborah.

An active freshman, Lindsey was a member of the girls' basketball team, golf team, show choir, and student council. She was very dear to students, faculty and staff. Everyone who knew the family will always remember them. Even during Spirit Week Lindsey was remembered as friends decorated her locker in her honor, making the week of fun and laughter bittersweet.

Lindsey Parks

Best Friends Forever

"Lindsey, you are and will always be my best friend. Thank you for giving me the best memories I will ever have. There isn't a second that goes by that I am not thinking about you and I can't wait to see you again someday."

–Megan McGovern

Gram Cantar, 9
Brooke Carns, 9
Ryan Carns, 9
Tony Carns, 11
Stefanie Carroll, 10
Aleksander Case, 10
Mike Case, 11
Crystal Casey, 9

Jacob Casey, 11
Bridget Castner, 11
Danny Clettenberg, 10
Misty Clingerman, 10
Elizabeth Copah, 9
Crystal Coppage, 9
Andrew Couwenhoven, 11
Paul Cowan, 9

Sarah Cshos, 10
David Dahlberg, 11
Melissa Dahlberg, 9
Sylvia Darden, 9
Adam Davis, 10
Danielle Derisi, 10
Josh Deenik, 9
Scott Deatherage, 9

John Derousseau, 11
Ryan Diaz, 9
Jessica Douglas, 9
Ashley Drysdale, 11
Mindy Fastling, 11
Kristine Fayed, 11
Danielle Eiermann, 10
Allison Enlow, 9

Robert Ettema, 9
Stephen Ettema, 11
Bo Faber, 10
Josh Fair, 9
Rachel Farrell, 11
Edgar Favela, 9
Elliott Fiedler, 10
Peyton Finley, 11

John Flanagin, 9
Tommy Follmar, 10
Brooke Fraze, 11
Jeff Fraze, 11
Carrie Freeman, 10
Cassie Freeman, 10
Eric Gallo, 11
Wendy Gasior, 11

Jason Gembala, 11
Jeannie Gilloy, 10
Brian Gley, 9
Owen Goff, 9
Rich Golden, 11
Patrick Goltz, 10
Liz Gomiorowski, 11
Rachelle Graham, 10

Way to go, girl!

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Every morning Jen Montgomery took a few laps in the pool. But it was more than a pleasure swim, it was for the team–the whole team. Jen was Hanover's only swimmer, but IHSAA rules allowed her to represent the school regardless of team size.

"It's a lot of hard work and very tiring," Jen said. "I wake up early in the morning, I have swim practice (at Lake Central), then I go home for a shower, and off to school I go." Even with homework to do, she had swim practice after school, too. The talented sophomore was one of the region's top swimmers who hoped to earn a state title before graduating. She continued the tradition set by her brother, Heath, who also made up Hanover's entire swim team a few years ago.

a little support

Sophomore Nicole Pempek supports a towel-wrapped Jen Montgomery at one of her swim meets. "Not many people came to my meets to support me," Jen said.

Nicole Granger, 9
Adam Greer, 10
Maryann Grejic, 10
Krysta Gross, 9
Devon Gurpel, 10
Dave Guzaski, 11
Beth Hackett, 9
Erin Hackett, 11

Joey Haduch, 11
Joanna Hamlett, 9
John Hardesty, 9
Ashley Hayden, 9
Heather Hayden, 9
Brandon Heagg, 9
Katrina Hegyi, 9
Derrick Helton, 9

Meg'n Henkel, 9
Nick Henson, 11
Geraldo Hernandez, 9
Danielle Higby, 9
Amanda Hildebrandt, 9
Mari Hofer, 9
Megan Hofer, 11
Raymond Holquin, 9

Cathy Homolka, 10
Eric Hoover, 10
Jonathan Howe, 11
Matthew Hryniowiecki, 10
Amanda Huffnagle, 10
Danielle Huffnagle, 11
Aaron Hughes, 10
Holly Huppenthal, 11

Stacey Huppenthal, 9
Stephanie Huppenthal, 11
Adam Iczak, 11
Heather Iwinski, 9
Matthew Jackson, 9
Katie Jacobsen, 10
Jacinda James, 10
Jesse James, 11

Lisa Jaranowski, 11
Jamie Jenkins, 11
Laura Jens, 10
Aaron Johnson, 11
Jamie Johnson, 10
Jeffrey Johnson, 9
Paul Kallay, 11
Tony Kallay, 9

Adam Kaminski, 9
Chris Keaton, 10
Courtney Kellman, 9
Jillian Kienzle, 11
Grace Klein, 9
Jacyln Kienzle, 9
Elizabeth Knowles, 10
Amanda Koeling, 11

Smooth moves!

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Dressed as Speed Racer at the Halloween dance, junior Jon Howe showed Mike Wick, Nick Medrano, Adam Van Gorp, and Don Kors some of his smooth moves. "I had fun. It was the first chance for my friends and I to get together and liven up the crowd a little bit, and just live it up and have fun." Jon commented. "We got to talk and chill with people we haven't seen all summer." Jon did some awesome moves and felt comfortable to let everyone see them.

speedy moves

At the annual Halloween dance, junior Jon Howe, dressed as Speed Racer, amuses some of his friends.

turnabout is fair play

The moves stayed smooth as Michelle Borger brings Nick Medrano to the annual Turnabout Dance.

Adam Koskela, 11
Emily Koskela, 9
Jon Kowalczyk, 10
David Kowalski, 11
James Kozak, 9
Dan Kozlowski, 9
Steven Langham, 11
Anna Law, 11

Marty Law, 10
Bobby Lewis, 10
Colston Littlejohn, 9
Matthew Long, 10
Lee Lucka, 10
Stephanie Lyons, 9
Leslie Malik, 9
Jennifer Malton, 10

Cory Malon, 9
Ryan Maloney, 11
Tracey Manestar, 9
Erik Mantel, 11
Bryan Martin, 9
Emi Mastey, 11
Lydia Mastey, 9
Phillip Mastey, 10

Troy Mathews, 9
Rachel May, 9
Ryan May, 9
Lindsey McDonald, 11
Jillian McElmurry, 9
Megan McElmurry, 11
Megan McGovern, 9
Adam McKee, 10

Tom McClymont, 9
Jennifer McMullin, 10
Stephanie McMullin, 11
Bill McNamara, 11
Sean Meehan, 11
Ben Mentink, 9
Jason Metz, 9
Paul Metz, 11

Katie Meyer, 10
Matthew Michalski, 9
Brigette Middleton, 11
Jessica Middleton, 11
Larry Middleton, 11
Adam Miller, 10
Mindy Miller, 9
Tanya Miller, 10

Brian Mirich, 11
Fallon Mirich, 9
Mike Mitchell, 9
Lynn Molnar, 11
Julie Moniak, 11
Jen Montgomery, 10
Mike Moran, 11
Megan Myers, 9

But I'm only 18!

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Being 18, a junior, and pregnant, Brigette Middleton pushed her way through the hallways. She didn't care if she was pregnant or not, she was determined to go to school and make the grades. She lived with her boyfriend, David Jackson, in their own house. She had a baby shower on Sunday, March 18, and her due date was Friday, April 6. "Whatever you do, don't get pregnant. It's really hard and it's just the beginning," Brigette said about being pregnant. Perhaps the easiest part was choosing a name, Joseph Anthony. Brigette's mother, Vivian Karen Middleton, was supportive of her daughter's decision to remain in high school during the pregnancy. "I'm by her side 100 percent and I love you to death," she said.

young and younger

Brigette Middleton sits at home now with her one-month-old baby, Joseph Anthony. Taking care and nurturing him as he began his life meant sacrifice of personal freedom for his mom.

Leeanna Ogle, 9
Andrew O'Malley, 10
Danielle Olenik, 10
Raymond Opperman, 11
Jenavieve Osling, 9
Bobby Ostrowski, 11
Eddie Padin, 10
Josh Pagel, 11

Michael Palenik, 10
David Paluch, 9
Ryan Panozzo, 11
Chris Parker, 11
Lindsey Parks, 9
Chad Patton, 10
Lauren Pawlak, 11
Nicole Pawlak, 11

Robin Pawlak, 9
Nicole Pempek, 10
Charles Pendleton, 10
Tony Perez, 11
Shannon Phillips, 10
Christopher Pinkowski, 9
Brian Pizzro, 10
David Plasmann, 9

Matt Plasmann, 10
Mary Ploskonka, 11
David Ploetz, 9
Lynn Pokrajac, 9
Joseph Ponziano, 10
Nichole Poper, 10
Annie Previs, 9
Robert Proud, 9

Jonathan Radosevich, 10
Nellie Ranguth, 9
Loren Rayburn, 11
Rachael Rebenack, 9
Kyle Rector, 9
Bryan Redeagle, 10
Krystle Reh, 9
Rochelle Reinholt, 11

Billy Richey, 9
Robert Riggleman, 11
Edward Roberts, 10
Michael Roberts, 11
Elizabeth Rocks, 10
Dan Rosen, 11
Melanie Rosinko, 9
Matt Ruble, 9

Michael Ruth, 10
Nick Ryan, 10
John Sabatis, 10
Thomas Samargun, 9
Ashley Sautter, 10
Lynn Savicsak, 10
Amanda Schau, 10
Desiree Schilling, 9

Hey, Mr. DJ

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It was the beginning of his seventh grade year and the DJ was missing for the seventh grade dance. It was Joe Ponziano's chance to show everyone the magic that he had. Ponziano started his DJ business with a good friend, Chris Clause, in the seventh grade. His teacher, Mrs. Wendy Obrenski, jump-started his career by asking him if he would act as DJ for the dance and, of course, he jumped at the chance.

"It has always been my dream to be a famous DJ and this is my chance to show everybody that I can do it," Joe said. He got his equipment from his dad's good friend who owned a very large DJ company in northern Illinois. "From there on out I was on a very upward battle for the DJ position that I always wanted–to own my own business. Now I'm buying out two major DJ companies, Party Time DJ Service and Spectrum DJ Service," Ponziano said.

Ponziano DJed Homecoming believing it would be a good way to get his name out and hear his style. It didn't turn out quite the way he wanted. He said he was disappointed there was only two hours to take pictures and dance, and that most people couldn't dance because of the long line for pictures. Most of all it was right after the game and most people didn't have time to shower and pamper. Still, it was another chance to show his talents and spread the word.

the music man

With a history of making music, Jo Ponziano entertained his own troops Homecoming. In addition to the DJ bus ness, he also expressed interest in star ing on Internet radio station after atten ing a field trip to the Illinois Center Broadcasting with the CyberCat staff

Craig Schotbe, 11
Ron Schuitema, 11
Brett Sears, 10
Charlie Sears, 11
Penny Seaton, 11
Toni Sheehy, 11

Trisha Sheehy, 9
Adrienne Shroka, 11
Lindsay Sincavage, 11
Kristen Skorupa, 10
Jennifer Slager, 11
Angie Smit, 10

Jenny Smith, 11
Michael Smith, 9
Melissa Sobkowicz, 10
Melissa Sopher, 11
Jeremy Spencer, 10
Miranda Spindler, 10

Donald Stamper, 10
Anthony Stanford, 11
Heather Staniszeski, 11
Melinda Staples, 11
Mike Staples, 9
Jennifer Starke, 10

Amanda Stoddard, 10
Ryan Strode, 9
Brian Strzelecki, 11
Ryan Stuppy, 9
Adam Suarez, 9
Derek Summerford, 11

Rich Surprise, 9
Todd Szanyi, 10
Ashley Talbert, 11
Carrie Talbert, 10
Robert Taylor, 10
Ryan Thomas, 11

Julie Titah, 9
James Todd, 9
Kenneth Turner, 10
Jason Urbanczyk, 11
Chris Urena, 9
Nick Urena, 10

Going up; growing up

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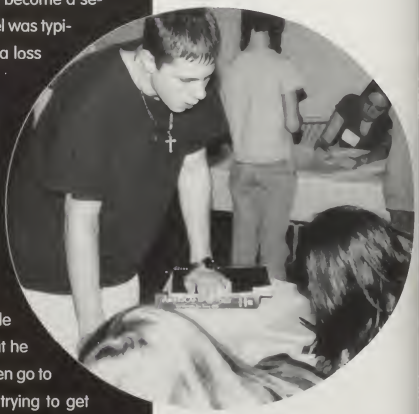
What would you do as a junior getting ready to become a senior within a couple of months? Junior Josh Pagel was typical of many students in this situation. Never at a loss for words, Josh explained his routine.

"I like to play sports like basketball and football with my friends," he said. He also liked to hang out with friends, chat on the Internet, workout, and, of course, look at the girls that passed by.

As an up-coming senior, Josh gave some advice to tell the up-coming freshmen: "Work hard– it pays off, always keep ya head up, have fun while you can cuz it goes by REAL fast." He added that he made up his mind to go into the Air Force and then go to Indiana University after that, but for now he's trying to get through the year with good grades and lots of friends.



let's figure it out

Do you think you're ready for the real world? Juni Josh Pagel sees how well prepared he is as h makes his way through the Reality Store. The proje involved bringing in actual businesses and giv students budget, family, and real-word incidents see if they could cope with the financial pressure






Adam Van Gorp, 11
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Weston Van Gundy, 10
Lyndsie Vitolo, 9
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Amber Walbowiak, 10






Ashley Walbowiak, 9
Sarah Walton, 10
Jessica Ward, 9
John Warren, 10
Doug Watt, 9
Megan Way, 10






Greg Webb, 11
Elizabeth Wendlinger, 11
Katie Westerhoff, 9
Nick Whitfield, 9
Deborah Willsin, 10
Josh Wilson, 11






Angela Witt, 9
Sarah Witvoet, 10
Amy Woodrum, 9
Adam Wornhoff, 10
Wyatt Yuhobratovich, 9
Amanda Wyman, 11






Jimmy Wyman, 9
Justin Wythe, 9
Bridget Yonke, 11
Samantha Yonke, 9
Eric Yukon, 11
Kelli Yukon, 9

With friends like these...

Ryan James Adams
Baseball 9

Brett Steven Arwood
Concert Choir 9-12

Nagisa Lyn Banks
Tennis 9-12 at Plainfield, Munster, and Hanover High Schools, Concert Choir 11-12 at Munster and Hanover High Schools

Derek Clifford Barsic
Volleyball 9-10, Basketball 9-11, Track 9

Jennifer Lynne Bohling
Volleyball 9-12; Outstanding Serving Award 12, Basketball 9-11, Softball 9-12; All-PCC Athlete in Softball 10, Most Improved 10, Outstanding Defense Award 10, Key Club 11-12

Michelle Lynn Borger
Softball 9-12, Pom Cats 11, Concert Band 9-12, Pep Band 9-12, DECA 11, Who's Who Among American High School Students 11

Anthony James Braner
Volleyball 9-12, Best Defensive Player Award 10-11; Basketball 9-10, Manager 10; Spell Bowl Team 9-12, Swing Choir 10-12, Madrigal Singers 9-12, Newspaper 11, Hoosier Boys State 11, NHS 11-12, Thespians 10-12, Key Club 10-12

Kristy Leigh Brownd
Volleyball 9-10, Snowball 9-10, Art Club 9-12, Thespians 9-11, Class Officer 12

Brian Michael Bugajski
Track 10-12, Basketball Manager 10-11, Academic Team 11, Concert Band 12, Swing Choir 11-12, Madrigal Singers 11-12, Hoosier Boys State 11, NHS 11-12, Snowball 9-12, Art Club 9-10, Pep Band 12, Environmental Club 9-10, Thespians 9-12; Best Supporting Actor 1999, Vice President 2000-2001, Secretary 1999-2000, Who's Who Among American High School Students 9-12

Angela Hope Clark
Volleyball 10, Softball 9, Concert Band 9-12

Catherine Jean Cornett
Cross Country 11, Basketball 9-11, Softball 9-12, Madrigal Singers 9, Concert Choir 9-12

Josh Avin Davis
Baseball 9, Yearbook Staff 11

Daniel E. Deatherage
Baseball 9, Concert Band 9-12, NHS 12, Pep Band 10-11

Jeremy Ross Deenik
Concert Band 9-12, Swing Choir 12, Snowball 9-11, Pep Band 9-12, Environmental Club 9-10, Thespians 9-12

Danielle Lynn Devine
Flags 9-12, Swing Choir Crew 9-10, 12; Concert Choir 9, 11-12

Brandon Dale Douglas
Baseball 11-12

Joe Freeman
Baseball 9; Basketball 9-10

Kelly Joan Garrett
Cross Country 9-12; Semi-State Qualifier 9-12, MVP 11-12, All-PCC Athlete 9-12; Basketball 9-12, All-Sectional 11, Most-Improved 11; Track 9-11, 3200 Relay All-PCC 9, MVP 11, Regional Qualifier 9-11, 3200 Relay Sectional Champs- School Record Holder 10; Softball 10, Homecoming Court 12, Homecoming Queen 12, Academic Team 9-10, Hoosier Girls State 11, NHS 9, 11-12; Student Council 9, Class Officer 10-12; Junior Miss 12 First Runner-up 12; Key Club 10-12, President 12, Secretary 10-11, DECA 11-12, Treasurer 11-12, International Marketing State Winner 12; Cedar Lake Teen Volunteer of the Year 10, Indiana Jaycees Ray of Light (Volunteering Award) 9, Wendy's High School Heisman State Finalist 12, DAR Good Citizen 12

Stephanie Nicole Geraci
Pom Cats 9-12; Letter 9-12, Staff 11-12, Captain 12; Swing Choir 10-12, NHS 11-12, Concert Choir 9,12, Drama 11-12

Jillian Marie Gorny
Cross Country 10-11, Softball 9-11, Cheerleader 9-12; Spell Bowl Team 9-10, 12; NHS 9, 11-12; Student Council 12, Snowball 9, Key Club 12, Co-Valedictorian

Gretchen Joan Govert
Pom Cats 9-12, Thesplans 11

Lisa Marie Gray
Concert Choir 12

Matthew James Haussecker
Football at Midland Freshman School 9 and Midland High School 11

Kirby Jordana Heindel
Softball 9, Academic Team 9-11, Spell Bowl Team 9-12, Girls State Alternate, NHS 9, 11-12, Secretary 12; Snowball 9-11, Pep Band 9, Environmental Club 9, Thespians 9-11, Junior Miss 12, DECA 11-12, President 12

Brandi Nicole Higby
Swimming 10, Yearbook Staff 11, Excellence in Writing 11; Key Club 12, DECA 12, Class Representative 10, Media Club 10, H20 9-10, French Club 10

Christopher Huseman
Basketball 10, Homecoming Court 9

Ria Jager
Concert Chair 9-12

Sarah Jean Jager
Volleyball 9-11, Basketball 9, Softball 9-12, Spell Bowl Team 9-10, Snowball 9-10, Environmental Club 9, Key Club 11, DECA 12, Softball 9-11, All-PCC Nominee 11,

Jillian Nicole Janicki
Tennis 9, Golf 10; Best Mental Attitude in Golf 10, Homecoming Court 12, Academic Team 9-10, Spell Bowl Team 9-12, Concert Band 10, Hoosier Girls State Alternate, NHS 11-12, Snowball 9-12, Environmental Club 9-10, Thespians 10-12; Junior Miss 12, Second Runner Up Junior Miss 12, Outstanding Sophomore, American Legion Oratorical First Runner Up, Best Supporting Actress, High Honors Year Round, Outstanding Academic Achievement, All A's in Geometry, French Accomplishment, Straight A's in Pre-Calculus, All Superior Honors, Academic Achievement Award, Hoosier Scholar, Co-Valedictorian

Cory Knutsen
Volleyball 9-12, Outstanding Server 10-11, Defense Award 11; Track 9, Tennis 12, All Sectional Tennis 12, Sectional and Regional Qualifier 12, Golf 9-10, High School Academic Team 9-11, High School Spell Bowl Team 9-1, Swing Chair 9-12, Madrigal Singers 9-12, National Honor Society Director 9, 11-12, Student Council 12, Snowball 9, Environmental Club 9-11, Thespians 9-12, Four Star Member 9-12, Key Club 11-12

Donald Edward Kors III
Wrestling 12, Sportsmanship Award 12; Baseball 9-11-12, Hustle Award 11; Student Council 12, Key Club 12, Football 9, Swimming 10

Keith Thomas Krueger
Baseball 9, Basketball 9, Concert Chair 12

Eric Marshall Lambert
Art Club 9-12

Rachel Marie Laud
Volleyball 9-12, Most Improved 11; Basketball 9-11 Concert Band 9-12, NHS 12, Pep Band 9-12, Pit Orchestra 9, Junior Miss 12

Seniors

Class of 2001





Ryan Adams
Stephen Bader
Nayisa Banks
Dereh Barsic
Stephanie Bell





Bryant Besson
Brian Bisset
Jennifer Bohling
Brianne Bonner
Michelle Borger





Anthony Braner
Kristy Brownd
Brian Bugajski
Rachelle Cavender
Angela Clark





Roberta Cobb
Catherine Cornett
Aaron Cubos
Joshua Davis
Daniel Deatherage





Jeremy Deenik
Danielle Devine
Justin Diaz
Richard Dobin
Eric Dombrowski





Brandon Douglas
Joe Freeman
Kelly Garrett
Stephanie Geraci
Amy Gley

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Gretchen Govert
Lisa Gray
Luke Greichunos
Eric Hegg





Kirby Hendel
Brandi Higby
Nicole Hoover
Christopher Huseman
Ria Jager





Sarah Jager
Richard Jamrosz
Jillian Janicki
Leslee Kaper
Richard Knutsen





Donald Kors
Benjamin Kortokrax
Kevin Kowalski
Keith Krueger
Eric Lambert





Rachel Laud
Christine Long
Amanda Luce
Jennifer Malik
Erin Maloney





Christopher Mantel
Jerrod Martin
Amber McDonald
Shannon McLaughlin
Nicholas Medrano





Gail Michalski
Andy Miller
Michelle Miller
Sabrina Murillo
Dean Nelson

Roger Niemeyer
Ryan Otterman
Lawrence Pert
Corri Priebe
Stephanie Quinn

Christopher Reh
Jana Rinearson
Stephanie Roedel
Rebecca Scherer
Timothy Schotke

Ann Sergent
April Shalvis
Brienne Sheehy
Lindsay Shelby
Jeffery Skorupa

Hillary Smith
Catherine Speichert
Nathan Staley
Andrea Stam-Burandt
Michael Stamate

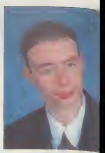
Kristopher Stanberry
Daniel Sullivan
Lisa Tachar
John Teets
Richard Thomas

Seniors

Class of 2001

Melissa Triemstra
Katie Turner
Matthew Urbanczyk
Michael VanAsdall



Rebecca VanLear
Megan Vassar
Christine Wajvoda
Adam Walker




Andrea Ward
Alissa Wasylaw
Jenny Watt
Amber Westerhoff




Amy White
Matthew Wiarda
Michael Wich
Susan Wilkin




senior spirit

A popular presence at every basketball game, senior Charlie Sears entertained children of all ages as the school mascot.

senior siblings

Some of the most fun-filled days of the year are when the students in Child Development invite pre-school bothers and sisters or neighborhood kids to join them. The celebrations made for precious moments. While the seniors and kids interacted patiently before the Halloween candy appeared, there was soon plenty of sugar-induced energy to go around.

Melody Willy

Adam Wythe

Not Pictured:

Brett Arwood
Dustin Brill
Todd Donelly
Erik Farrell
Jeanette Grgic
Matthew Hauseeber
Julyan Littlejohn
Fred McCleary
Dennis Pete
Jantz Vega
Jennifer Wallace

Julyan Rachelle Littlejohn
Art Club 9-12

Amanda Rae Luce
Bowling 12, Cheerleader 9; All-American Nominee in Cheerleading 9, Who's Who Among High School Students for Cheerleading 9, Thespians 9

Jennifer Lynn Malik
Flags 11-12, Newspaper Staff 12, Art Club 12

Erin Colleen Maloney
Concert Band 9-12, Pep Band 9-12, Pit Orchestra 12, American Legion Government Award 11

Christopher Joseph Mantel
Cross Country 9-12, All-PCC 12; Basketball 9-12, Track 9-12, All-Sectional 11, Semi-state Qualifier 10, All-PCC 9-12; Homecoming Court 10,12, Hoosier Boys 11, NHS 9, 11-12, Art Club 11-12, Key Club 10-12, DECA 12, Superior Honors 9-12

Nicholas Leonel Medrano
Volleyball 11-12; Most Improved 12, Letter 12, Basketball 9-12; Letter 11-12, Track 9-12, Homecoming Court 12, Yearbook Staff 12, Hoosier Boys 11, Class Officer 11-12, Key Club 11-12, Who's Who Among American High School Students 9-12 DARE

Shannon Lee McLaughlin
Volleyball 9-12, Co-Most Improved 12; Track 9-12; All-PCC Discus for Track 10; NHS 9, 11-12; Key Club 11-12, Key Club Senior Representative 12

Andrew James Miller
Golf 9-12, Concert Band 9, NHS 9,12

Dean Charles Nelson
Track 9-10, 12; NHS 12, Academic Letter 9-12

Roger Arnold Niemeyer
Volleyball 9-10, Basketball 9-10, Baseball 9-12, Homecoming King 12, Prom Court 11-12, Class Officer 9, Baseball Co-Mentol Attitude 11

Ryan Thomas Otterman
Cross Country 9, Basketball 9, Who's Who Among American High School Students

Corri Blair Priebe
Softball 10; Academic Team 11; Yearbook Staff 11; Snowball 9

Stephanie Marie Quinn
Swing Choir 12, Madrigals 11-12, Concert Choir 9-10, National Honor Society 11-12, Thespians 9-12

Christopher Jordan Reh
Track 9-10, Bowling 12, Yearbook Staff 12; NHS 9, 11-12; Academic Letter 9-12, Peer Mediator 9, Concert Choir 9

Stephanie Lynn Roedel
Tennis 10-12, Spell Bowl Team 9,11-12, Concert Band 9-12, Pep Band 9-12, Pit Orchestra 10, DECA 10-12, Tennis Co-Most Improved, Band Most Voluable Junior

Rebecca Lynn Scherer
Pom Cats 9-10, Spell Bowl Team 12; Concert Band 9-12, ISSMA District Band Contest 1st Place 9-10, ISSMA State Band Contest 1st Place 9, ISSMA State Band Contest 2nd Place 10; Swing Choir 10-12, ISSMA District Choir Contest 1st Place 10-12, ISSMA State Choir Contest 1st Place 10, 12, ISSMA State Choir Contest 2nd Place 11; Madrigal Singers 11-12, Newspaper Staff 11, NHS 9, 11-12, Pep Band 9-10, Thespians 11-12, Junior Miss 12, Performing Arts Talent Winner 12; Key Club 10, 12, Drama 9-12, Academic Letter 9-12

Timothy Matthew Schotke
Baseball 9-12, Hoosier Boys 11; NHS 9, 11-12; Art Club 9-12, Key Club 10-12, DECA 12, National Merit Finalist, Who's Who Among American High School Students

Ann Marie Sergent
Pom Cats Manager 11-12, Letter 11, Swing Choir 12, Thespians 12, Spring Musical Student Director 11, Flags 9-12, Concert Choir 9, 10, 12

April Charlene Shalvis
Basketball 9, Track 10, Newspaper Staff 12

Brienne Bunge Sheehy
Volleyball 9-12, Captain 10,12, Best Setter 12, Mental Attitude 12, Letter 9-12; Softball, Most Improved 12, Letter 9-12; Homecoming Court 12, Spell Bowl Team 9-12, Swing Choir 9-12, Madrigal Singers 11-12, Yearbook Staff 11, Hoosier Girls State 11, NHS 9, 11-12, Student Council 11-12, Vice President 12; Snowball 9-10, Environmental Club 9-10, Thespians 9-12, Secretary 12; Junior Miss 12, Winner of Junior Miss 12; Key Club 11-12, Academic Letter 9-12

Lindsay Rene Shelby
Track 9-12, Most Improved 9, Golf 10, Pom Cats 10-12, Rookie Of The Year 10, Captain 12, All-American Team Member 12, All-American Drill Down Winner 12, Best Technique 11, Cheerleader 9, Honor Society 11-12, Key Club 11-12, National Junior Honor Society 9

Jeffrey Joseph Skorupa
Art Club 9-12, Drama 9

Hillary Jo Smith
Volleyball 9, Track 9-11, Pom Cats 9-11, Best Toe Toucher 10-11

Nathan Staley
Volleyball 11-12. Wrestling 11-12. Sportsmanship 11; Golf 11, DECA 12

Lisa Marie Tachar
High and Regular Honor Roll

Melissa Mae Triemstra
Academic Team 10

Richard J. Thomas
Track 11-12, Key Club 12

Katie Lynn Turner
Volleyball 9, Softball 9, Concert Choir 9-12

Matthew Urbanczyk
Baseball 9-12, Mental Attitude 11; Art Club 12

Michael Allen VanAsdall
Baseball 9; Art Club 9-10

Rebecca N. VanLear
Track 9 -12; 4X100 Relay Track All-PCC 9-11, Golf 10-12; Most Improved Golf 10, MVP in Golf 11, Mental Attitude in Golf 12, Cheerleader 9-12, Homecoming Court 12, Swing Choir 9-12; Student Council 11-12, Class Officer 11-12, Junior Miss 12, Judges Evaluation and Presence and Composure for Junior Miss 12; Key Club 11-12, Up and Running Club 11-12

Christine Suzanne Wajvoda
Volleyball 9-11, Basketball 9-12, Softball 10, Academic Team 10, Yearbook Staff 11, NHS 11-12, Student Council 11-12, Junior Miss 12, Creative Arts Award 12, Key Club 11-12, Theater Guild at Morton 10, Who's Who Among American High School Students 12, Honor Roll 9-12

Adam Jonathan Walker
Cross Country 10-12; Most Improved Cross Country 11, Hustle Award Cross Country 12; Volleyball 9, Track 10-12, Cheerleader 9-12, Concert Band 9-12, Swing Choir Band 11-12, Snowball 9-12, Pep Band 9-12, Environmental Club 9-10, Thespians 10-12

Andrea Nichole Ward
Academic Award 12, Concert Band 9-10, Pep Band 10, French Award, Who's Who Among American High School Students 10-12

Alissa Eve Wasyliw
Pom Cats 9-10, Most Improved Pom Cat 9

Jenny Watt
Tennis 10-11, Academic Team 11, Art Club 9-12

Amber Lauren Westerhoff
Volleyball 9-12, Basketball 9-12, Softball 9 12, Spell Bowl Team 9-12, NHS 11-12; Treasurer NHS 12, Class Officer 10-12; Class Officer Treasurer 10-12, Junior Miss 12, Key Club 10-12; Key Club Treasurer 10-12, Outstanding Treasurer Key Club 11, French Club 10-12, Academic Letter 9-12, Outstanding French Student 10-11

Michael Wick
Basketball 9-12, Offense Award 12, Nominated All-PCC 12; Baseball 9-12, Defensive Award 11, Homecoming Court 12, Student Council 12, Swing Choir 12

Melody Lynn Willy
Volleyball 9, Manager 10-12; Track 11-12, NHS 11-12, Snowball 10, Art Club 11-12, Key Club 12, Geometry Award 9

Editor's Note: All students who returned the senior stats survey by the extended deadline have been included. All seniors were offered at least two opportunities to have their senior yearbook pictures taken free of charge

Counting the CHANGE

Change is good. Whether it was a new facade, new faces at the check-out, or new dollar coins in pocket change, local businesses and groups helped us keep a fresh perpective on the community. Their generosity and support also helped pay us the bills, including nearly half the cost of the yearbook. Even before it was all added up, it was one change we could count on.

COUNTING THEIR CHANGE, students could usually scrape together a few coins for a quick snack from the vending machines. Stocked by CL Vending, proceeds from the sales went for school projects and needs.

CHANGING OF SEASONS Spring, along with LesLee Kaper and Kelly Garrett, bring fresh flowers to life. LesLee's parents, Charlie and Marilyn, own and operate Cedar Lake Florists and the Added Touch Gift Shop, "One of Northwest Indiana's Finest."

Congratulations, Kelly Garrett
I am so proud of you
and your accomplishments!
Love, Mom

Chris Huseman

Congratulations
Chris!

We are all so proud of you!
Good luck at I.U.

Love - Mom, Dad, & Tim

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Congratulations, Aaron Gikos

Our little boy is now a young man
–we are so proud of you!
Love, Mom & Dad, Sarah, Rebecca & Adam

Rachel Laud

Congratulations Rachel!

You've done us all proud!
Keep it up! We love you,
Dad & Mom

Amber Westemoff

Amber, Look at all you did in 4 short years. Imagine all you can do with the rest of your life. Reach for the stars. Congratulations!
Love, Dad & Mom

Congratulations, Tim Schotke

National Merit Finalist

Hanover Central is proud of you!

Tim was named a National Merit Finalist, an award given to seniors who rank the highest in the country with the combination of their PSAT and SAT scores. He was named a National Merit Semi-Finalist last year based on the rank of his PSAT score. Only one student of every 1600 juniors taking the PSAT achieved this honor. Schotke's PSAT score was 1420 out of a possible 1600. After taking the SAT, Tim was named a 2001 finalist.

–Jason Metz, CyberCat News

My Favorite Things

It was an exciting year, but 20 years from now, the memories might have faded a bit, so in case I forget, here are some of the things that I really enjoyed.

Favorite Song:

Favorite Group:

Favorite Movie:

Favorite TV Show:

Favorite Radio Station:

Favorite Restaurant:

Favorite Snack Food:

Favorite Piece of Clothing:

Favorite Color:

Favorite Car:

Favorite Way to Waste Time:

Favorite Class:

Favorite Teacher:

Favorite Thing to Do:

Favorite Friend:

Favorite Moment:

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SWORDFISH: ALBUM (SOUNDTRACK)
- PAUL OAKENFOLD

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- LIL JON & THE EAST SIDE BOYZ

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- BLINK-182

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BIG WIDE GRIN
- KEB' MO' - OKEH

THE BILLBOARD LATIN 50:
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- MARCO ANTONIO SOLIS

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12 GREATEST HITS, VOL. II
- NEIL DIAMOND

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- ST. LUNATICS

REGGAE:
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- BOB MARLEY AND THE WAILERS

WORLD MUSIC:
WHO LET THE DOGS OUT
- BAHA MEN

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Freshman Class Officers
Front: Melissa Braner, Jacinda James, Miranda Spindler, and Amanda Huffnagle. **Back:** Sponsor Steve Landis

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Sophomore Class Officers

Front: Katie Westerhoff, and Billy Rickey. **Back:** Liz Bilinski, Sponsor Wendy Obrenski, Jaclyn Kienzle.

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Junior Class Officers
Co-sponsor Lisa Koester, Jill Kienzle, Julie Moniak, and co-sponsor Coleen Darnell, Not Pictured: Lynn Molnar.

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S

Senior Class Officers

Front: Kelly Garrett and Becky VanLear. **Back:** Amber Westerhoff, Nick Medrano, sponsor Cheryl Muehlman.

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with so much to recount, we wouldn't

burst your bubble

More memories than bubbles in bathwater came flowing back as the school year ended. It was easy to recount struggling through a physics exam, passing the ISTEP+ test for graduation, and selling Krispy Kreme doughnuts to raise money for honor society. Spirit Week flooded our brains with emotion and noise, not to mention a huge break for the seniors (and literally for Tony Braner). Snow, then cold, heralded the onset of homecoming and didn't leave until May. That didn't stop the girls' softball and track teams from capturing PCC championships, or Mr. Joyce's new Mustang from being totalled in front of the school on a teacher in-service day. (He wasn't seriously injured.) Juniors and seniors created romantic memories at prom, and the softball team caught a lucky rain delay at sectionals which enabled them to attend on time. Of course, saying goodbye to Lindsey Parks and Mrs. Williams was hard. Mr. Rajchel "graduated" into retirement, though he did burst a few bubbles when he announced he would be back to substitute – and share a few memories of his own. Thanks for a great career and a wonderful year.

It wasn't all tears as graduation comes to a close. Becky Scherer and Gretchen Govert had one more chance to recount their memories when the seniors had to return the next day to pick up their diplomas.

2012 recount
HANOVER CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

SPIRIT WEEK ROCKED with juniors Amanda Koeling, Kristine Egyed, and Stephanie Huppenthal in the Hula Hoop Race.

COUNTING STEPS in each of his events was important to Eddie Roberts, who also ran in the hurdle events and high jumped for the track team. He undoubtedly recalls this day as the Wildcats repeated as Hanover Relays champs.

LOCAL KIDS interacting with students in Jean Kirk's Child Development class had better keep count of their animal crackers to make sure Rachel Farrell and Brigetta Middleton don't get their fingers on them.

COUNTING ON A GOOD TIME Jenn Watt, Andy Miller, Megan Vassar, and Eric Hegg ride in style to the prom. Sharing the cost also helped Andy and Eric count their pennies.

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The Election

After five weeks of hand recounts, court appeals, concessions and retractions, Vice President Al Gore's final concession of the presidency to Texas Governor George W. Bush and his vice presidential running mate Dick Cheney brought an end to one of the longest and most eventful elections in American history.

What happened? The Election at a Glance:

November 7 (Election Day): Shortly before 8 p.m. EST, the major television networks estimate Al Gore and vice-presidential running mate Joe Lieberman the winners.

AP Photo/Jim Lo Scalzo

With a too-close-to-call election throughout much of the nation, Florida becomes the key state in deciding the winner, as the next president will need Florida's 25 electoral votes to win.

November 8: At 2:15 a.m., results from Florida begin to suggest George Bush carries the battleground state. Gore concedes the election to Bush, thinking Bush has at least a 50,000 vote lead. Forty-five minutes later, Gore gets word Bush's lead has shrunk to only a few thousand votes, and retracts his concession.

Due to the closeness of the election, the focus turns to questionable ballots and fair voting practices.

In St. Louis, Mo., a controversy arises over a lower court's ruling to keep the polls open past the 7 p.m. deadline.

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In Palm Beach County, Fla., an unexpectedly large number of votes for Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan lead to questions about the legitimacy of the punch-card-style "butterfly ballot."

AP Photo/Victor Ciavano

November 9: Gore's team requests a hand recount of ballots in four Florida counties, Palm Beach, Miami-Dade, Broward and Volusia.

November 16: Bush's lawyers submit written arguments to the U.S. Federal Appeals Court to end recounts.

November 22-December 8: Hand recounts and legal battles continue, making the word "chad" (the small piece of paper punched out of the ballots) a household word.

December 9: The U.S. Supreme Court halts the manual recounts and sets a hearing for two days later.

December 13: In a public concession speech, Gore states he no longer wishes to prolong the election, and yields the presidency, making George W. Bush the nation's 43rd president, and the first chief executive since Benjamin Harrison in 1888 to claim the office with the majority of electoral votes but a minority of the popular vote nationwide.

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YOU SAID...

Was Al Gore's appeal for a vote recount in Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties justified or unjustified?

Unjustified	54%
Justified	46%

Politics and World News

[illegible] a six-year-old Cuban boy found off the coast of Florida, survived yet another ordeal: the brutal custody battle between relatives in Miami and his father in Cuba. The long struggle culminated in a late-night raid on a Miami home where armed U.S. agents seized Elian by force, putting him in the custody of his father who returned with Elian to Cuba.

AP Photo/Wilfredo Lee

In a stunning surprise move, Israeli [illegible] announced his resignation. Barak's popularity had dropped during the ongoing conflict between Israelis and Palestinians. Barak stood for re-election, hoping for a vote of confidence from the Israeli People, but lost to Likud party leader Ariel Sharon.

Many thought peace between [illegible] would never happen, but the past year saw warming relations between the two countries, which are still technically at war. Images of North Korean leader Kim Jong Il entertaining South Korea's Kim Dae-jung at a June peace summit in Pyong-yang were considered some of the most surprising news pictures of the year.


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Tragedy struck when [illegible] one of only 13 Concorde jetliners in use, caught fire upon takeoff and crashed into a small hotel in the French town of Gonesse. The 109 people aboard were killed, as well as four people on the ground.


AP Photo/Christopher Ene

[illegible] became the first active first lady of the United States to win an elective office when she defeated U.S. Republican representative Rick Lazio for one of New York's U.S. Senate seats.


AP Photo/Jim McKnight

Elections in Yugoslavia turned angry when [illegible] lost to the people's choice Vojislav Kostunica 35 percent to 55 percent. The election's close margin of error would have warranted a recount, but Milosevic refused to hold another election, declaring himself the winner. The outraged public rallied violently in the streets of Belgrade, and the riots combined with pressure from the U.N. and Russia finally forced Milosevic to concede the election to Kostunica.


AP Photo/Milosevic Headquarters

AP Photo/Vlaeny Tasovac

YOU SAID...

Who would you have voted for in the presidential election?

Bush	43%
Gore	38%
Nader	12%

Politics and World News

A nation mourned the lives lost on the Russian nuclear submarine Kursk, which sank to the bottom of the Barents Sea after being shattered by a huge explosion. Despite the prolonged rescue efforts of Russian and Norwegian divers, all 118 men aboard the Kursk died.

AP Photo/Maxim Marmur

A Christmas Day blaze in Central China tore through a shopping and commercial center, killing 309 people. The fire trapped people celebrating at a Christmas dance party as well as construction workers inside the four-story supermarket, shops and disco building in the Henan province of Luoyang.

Violence and tension in the Middle East escalated once again when the USS Cole United States Navy destroyer was attacked while moored in Yemen for routine refueling. Suicidal terrorists on a small boat crept up and bombed the Cole, killing 17 United States sailors and Marines.

AP Photo/Joe Marquette

Bitter cold and freezing water did not deter an estimated two and a half million people who bathed in India's Ganges River on the first day of a Hindu religious festival. The Maha Kumbh Mela, or Grand Pitcher Festival, takes place every 12 years and sees millions of devotees bathe in the Ganges to purify their sins.

AP Photo/John McConnico

James Perkins, Jr., a former computer consultant, was chosen as the first-ever black mayor of Selma, Ala., with 57 percent of the vote in a runoff election. He defeated long-time Selma Mayor Joseph T. Smitherman, who was going for his 10th re-election.

A 7.6-magnitude earthquake devastated the suburban neighborhood of Las Colinas in El Salvador. More than 600 were reported dead. In Washington state, Salvadoran Americans numbering about 135,000 rushed to organize relief efforts while individuals coped with losing relatives and friends in the Central American tragedy.

AP Photo/Victor Ruiz

As the price of crude oil reached a 10-year high of $34 per barrel, angry truckers and farmers throughout Europe blockaded oil depots and put a chokehold on much of the nation's fuel supply. The high petrol prices led to an unprecedented show of public dissent in European countries, particularly Britain.

People and Entertainment

After 15 years of co-hosting with Regis Philbin on "Live with Regis and Kathie Lee," [illegible] bid farewell to the show. The 46-year-old entertainer, wife of former football star and Monday night sports announcer Frank Gifford, cited concerns about spending more time with her two young children, son Cody and daughter Cassidy, as reasons for leaving the show. ABC soap opera actress Kelly Ripa was selected as Gifford's replacement.

AP Photo/Richard Drew

The Food Network brought popular Japanese cooking show [illegible] to the United States, where it quickly became a cult hit. The theatrical Japanese program featured an unusual combination of WWF Smackdown-type competition and gourmet cooking, pitting the world's best chefs against each other in a culinary battle using eclectic ingredients such as pork belly or giant eel.

AP Photo/Shizo Kambayashi

Web superstar [illegible] founded and created by 19-year-old Shawn Fanning, was pulled into court as the Recording Industry of America sued to stop the extremely successful Internet music file sharing company in aiding the distribution of copyrighted songs. The legal pressure led to a federal court ruling for Napster to stop its users from trading copyrighted material and also to an alliance with German media giant Bertelsmann.


AP Photo/Louis Lanzano

[illegible] the political monthly magazine founded by the late John F. Kennedy Jr., folded in March due to monetary problems. The final issue included a collection of interviews conducted by Kennedy while he was editor.

Two years after announcing he had Parkinson's disease, actor Michael J. Fox made his final appearance on the ABC sitcom "Spin City." Despite his degenerative disease, Fox saw the series through its 100th episode. Movie actor [illegible] took over for him, not as Fox's "Spin" character, but as a new deputy mayor on the show.


AP Photo/Chris Pizzello

YOU SAID...

AP Photo

How often do you use Napster?

Never	36%
Frequently	37%
Once in a while	27%

People and Entertainment

became a pop-culture phenomenon with the summer debut of CBS's "Survivor" and "Big Brother." was the first contestant to survive "Survivor," winning the $1 million grand prize. The shows feature screened contestants placed in real-life situations with no scripts or predetermined outcomes. MTV's "The Real World" was the predecessor to the popular "real" shows, followed by "Who Wants to be a Millionaire," "Greed" and "Making the Band."

AP Photo/Kevork Djansezian

New bride may have taken his eligible bachelor status, but *People* magazine had no problem crowning actor the Sexiest Man Alive in 2000. Also named Sexiest Man Alive in 1995, Pitt is the first two-time title-holder since the magazine began its "Sexiest" tradition in 1985.

AP Photo/Francesco Tronchetti

After being diagnosed with testicular cancer, MTV comedian of the "The Tom Green Show" aired a TV special documenting his battle with cancer as well as the comedian's lymph node removal surgery. Green hoped televising his experience would help others gain awareness about cancer.

Despite pleas from the band for fans to move back because people were being pressed up against the stage, eight Pearl Jam fans suffocated in a mosh pit at A ninth victim died five days later in a hospital. Twenty-five were injured at the four-day festival, where approximately 50,000 people turned out to see 200 bands play.

AP Photo/Jon Gerrard

1966 record "Revolver" has been named the greatest rock album ever in a poll conducted by the cable music channel VH1. The Beatles capped a list of the 100 best rock albums taken from a VH1 poll of 500 rock journalists and musicians, including Britney Spears, Jackson Browne, Elvis Costello, Roberta Flack and Art Garfunkel. The Fab Four are still topping the charts with "1," a collection of all the Beatles' number one hits.

set a record for the most Emmys earned by a show in its first season. The NBC political drama won nine Emmys, including outstanding drama, at the 52nd Annual The show surpassed the record previously held by "ER" and "Hill Street Blues." The NBC comedy "Will & Grace" also turned 11 of its nominations into awards, including outstanding comedy.

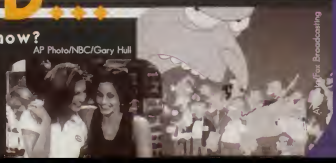
AP Photo/Kevork Djansezian

YOU SAID...

What is your favorite TV show?

AP Photo/NBC/Gary Hull

1. Friends
2. The Simpsons
3. Jackass
4. Dawson's Creek
5. 7th Heaven



AP Photo/Fox Broadcasting

AP Photo/Jaap Buitendijk

What was your favorite movie of the year?

1. Scary Movie
2. Gladiator
3. Road Trip
4. Gone in 60 Seconds
5. The Patriot

YOU SAID...

AP Photo/Suzanne Plunette

Controversial rapper [redacted] a.k.a. Marshall Mathers, got top honors at the ninth annual MTV Video Music Awards, winning the coveted Video of the Year award along with best male video for his signature song "The Real Slim Shady." Eminem's "The Marshall Mathers LP" sold 1.76 million copies during its first week.

[redacted] mania infected readers around the world. Although Book One of the series, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," was first published in 1997, Y2K saw a mad surge in popularity for the boy wizard. The first four of the seven-book series, released by the end of 2000, sold 60 million copies in 200 countries. The voluminous 734-page "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" (book four) packed book houses with a record first printing of 3.8 million copies.

AP Photo/Wal Kirk

AP Photo/Dave Caulkin

11-year-old British actor [redacted] snagged the role of Harry Potter in the upcoming Warner Brothers movie, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone."

Versions of ABC's hit smash [redacted] hit the airwaves in 31 countries, with more on the way. In India, a Hindi-language version became the country's most popular program ever.

After a high-profile bidding war with other filmmakers, Universal Studios finally own the prized rights to Dr. Seuss's popular children's story [redacted] when director Ron Howard impressed Seuss's widow with his take on the tale. Comedy icon Jim Carrey stole the show as the nasty green villain. A blockbuster smash, the movie was the highest grossing film of the year.

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Film director [redacted] American creator of "E.T.," "Jurassic Park," "Schindler's List" and "Saving Private Ryan" was given an honorary knighthood in recognition of his contribution to the British film industry. He did not become "Sir Steven," as knighthood per se is only for British citizens, but he was able to put the letters "KBE" after his name, for Knight of the British Empire.

YOU SAID...

Which artist had the best album of the year?

AP Photo/WWP/ Eric Jamison

1. Eminem
2. Nelly
3. N'SYNC
4. Limp Bizkit
5. Creed

Science and Technology

Surgeons at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center performed the first [illegible] in the United States on a conscious patient. An epidural block numbed the patient's chest so he could speak to doctors during the beating-heart procedure. The 51-year-old man who received the single bypass recovered successfully.

AP Photo/PPL Therapeutics

[illegible] were presented to the world in April. The pigs were cloned from fetal-pig skin cells and scientists believe that due to the similarities between porcine (pig) and human organs, the techniques used to clone this litter may eventually create a supply of genetically modified pig livers and other organs that would be acceptable to the human immune system.

Researchers from Carnegie Mellon unveiled [illegible] the first robotic planetary rover with onboard intelligence. Previous planetary explorers, such as the Mars Pathfinder, needed human controllers to tell them what to do, but Nomad performs tasks such as snapping pictures, collecting samples and sending data back to earth by itself. Using a laser range finder and spectrometer, the robot analyzes every single rock in its path. Scientists hope to employ future generations of the rover to explore other planets.

It was a bittersweet victory for scientists when they successfully [illegible] an extinct species, and brought it into the world from the belly of a farm cow. The baby bull, called Noah, was born at Trans-Ova Genetics in Sioux City, Iowa, but died shortly after birth. Although Noah died, the project gives hope for ways to save endangered species and resurrect those already extinct.

AP Photo/Advanced Cell Technology

After years of dreaming, planning and arguing over who should get the credit, the [illegible] and Celera Genomics put their differences aside and officially announced they have (both) deciphered the 3.1 billion biochemical "letters" of human DNA. The amazing breakthrough will allow scientists vast insight into human health and disease at the molecular level, knowledge that will lead to a revolution in diagnosing and treating everything from Alzheimer's to cancer. The discovery is seen as one of history's great scientific milestones, the biological equivalent of landing on the moon.

AP Photo/Sven Kaestner

A lawsuit was filed when a Chicago man said he suffered adverse allergic reactions after eating Kraft Taco Bell taco shells contaminated with [illegible] a form of bioengineered corn not yet approved for human consumption. The corn was approved for pesticide-resistant animal feed only in 1998, but approval for human consumption was withheld due to the corn's shared characteristics with other foods that caused allergic reactions.

AP Photo/Toby Talbot

Numerous [illegible] companies were pushed to the brink of failure due to poor business planning, intense competition and weak advertising revenue. The year saw nearly 42,000 dot.com company job cuts, billions of dollars in market capitalization lost, and plummeting share prices.

AP Photo/Pool

Astronaut William Shepherd and cosmonauts Sergei Krikalyov and Yuri Gidzenko made up the first team to inhabit the [illegible] taking historic steps toward what NASA hopes will become a permanent living and working space. Each team will work and live for four months aboard the Russian module Zvezda, conducting biological and technical experiments until another crew replaces them.

Israel-based [illegible] Ltd. introduced a 1.18-inch-long pill camera that, when swallowed, can travel through a human digestive tract, transmitting two still images per second to a Walkman-like receiver attached to the person's belt. Within 24 to 48 hours, doctors can download the data and assemble a more accurate and complete video of the intestines than can be taken through the more traditional endoscopy.

Y2K saw great improvements in the increasingly popular [illegible] Manufacturers shipped 5.1 million digital cameras throughout the U.S., and the improved photo quality, reduced cost, convenience of not buying film, and ability to review and erase unwanted shots have made the digital camera more popular than ever. *TIME* Magazine named the Nikon Coolpix 990 digital camera the Machine of the Year.

AP Photo/Paul Sakuma

A destructive computer virus was unleashed and self-propagated through the popular Microsoft Outlook e-mail program. With the phrase [illegible] in the subject line, the virus wreaked havoc on computer networks from Hong Kong to New York, costing millions in software damage and lost commerce.

The 2000 Olympics Medal Stats:

US	Russian	China
39 Gold	32 Gold	28 Gold
97 Overall	88 Overall	59 Overall

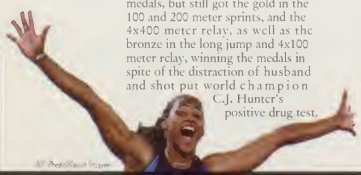
More than 10,000 of the greatest athletes from around the world gathered in Sydney, Australia to participate in the 27th Olympiad. Despite being dubbed "the best ever" by leaders of the International Olympic Committee, a 15-hour time difference between the United States and Australia kept many Americans from watching live as the United States came away with an unprecedented 97 medals.

AP Photo/Ryan Kaldari

Spectators beheld a dazzling opening ceremony, including the lighting of the torch by Australian runner (and native Aborigine) Cathy Freeman, who was later overcome with emotion when she won the gold for the women's 400-meter race.

Although the games received the lowest television ratings since 1968, many athletes gave inspirational performances.

United States sprinter Marion Jones fell short of her goal to win five gold medals, but still got the gold in the 100 and 200 meter sprints, and the 4x400 meter relay, as well as the bronze in the long jump and 4x100 meter relay, winning the medals in spite of the distraction of husband and shot put world champion C.J. Hunter's positive drug test.



AP Photo/Laura Rauch

Maurice Green, U.S. sprinter, not only took home the gold, but he also retained the title of "World's Fastest Man" after finishing the 100-meter sprint in 9.8 seconds.

In the water, Laura Wilkinson had a surprise victory over a superb Chinese team to move from fifth place to first and win the first U.S. gold in the women's 10-meter platform in 36 years.

AP Photo/Eric Draper

Australian swimmer Ian Thorpe, nicknamed "Thorpedo," broke the world record in the men's 400-meter freestyle relay, finishing in 3:13.67.

AP Photo/Kusum Kaichara

On the mat, U.S. heavyweight wrestler Rulon Gardner toppled the undefeated Russian wrestling icon Aleksandr Karelin.

Medal-rich swimmer Lenny Krayzelburg and the U.S. men's relay team won the 400-medley relay in 3:33:73, lowering the mark of 3:34.84 set by Americans at the 1996 Atlanta Games. It was Krayzelburg's third gold after victories in the 100- and 200-meter backstrokes.

AP Photo/Gerald Herbert

YOU SAID...

How much of the 2000 Summer Olympics did you watch?

Most	12%
Some	32%
Very Little	29%
None	27%

The Year in Sports

AP Photo/Ron Frehm

Having never played each other in the World Series before, the New York Yankees battled the New York Mets in what was dubbed the "Subway Series." Victorious at Shea Stadium, the Yanks defeated the Mets, 4-2, in Game 5 of the Series, becoming the first team in more than 25 years to win three straight titles.

The New Jersey Devils defeated the Dallas Stars, 2-1, in double overtime during Game 6 of the Stanley Cup finals, earning the team their second Championship. The Devils took the best-of-seven series, 4-2. Devils captain Scott Stevens won the Conn Smythe trophy as Stanley Cup playoff MVP.

AP Photo/M. Stereo

The Baltimore Ravens stomped the New York Giants, 34-7, in Super Bowl XXXV, giving the city of Baltimore their first NFL championship in 30 years. Defensive player of the year and game MVP Ray Lewis led a defense that intercepted four passes from the Giants and held New York to 152 total yards. The second and third touchdowns on three plays late in the third quarter were back-to-back kickoff returns by New York wide receiver Ron Dixon and Baltimore wide receiver Jermaine Lewis, creating a Super Bowl first.

AP Photo/Doug Mills

The Kansas City Wizards downed the Chicago Fire, 1-0, for the MLS Cup at RFK Stadium in Washington, D.C. The win was a surprise comeback for the Kansas City team who finished last in 1999, and had not been to the MLS post-season since 1997. With 10 saves in the Chicago game and a record 16 shutouts in 2000, Wizards goalie Tony Meola had one of the best seasons of any player in MLS history, earning MVP honors from MLS and Honda, as well as Aquafina Goalkeeper and Ace Comeback Player of the Year awards.

AP Photo/Stephen J. Boitano

The Texas Rangers made shortstop Alex Rodriguez the highest-paid player in baseball history when he agreed to a 10-year, $252 million contract with the team. The 25-year-old All Star previously played for the Seattle Mariners.

After three and a half years off the ice, Hall of Fame hockey center and former team owner Mario Lemieux returned to play center with the Pittsburgh Penguins. Lemieux was responsible for leading the Penguins to consecutive Stanley Cup championships in 1991 and 1992. He also brought the financially strapped team out of bankruptcy last year, becoming the first former player from the four major North American sports leagues to own a team.

AP Photo/Keith Srakocic

YOU SAID...

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What sports figure would you name MVP of the year?

1. Tiger Woods
2. Kobe Bryant
3. Randy Moss
4. Marion Jones

The Year In Sports

The Houston Comets pulled ahead in overtime for their fourth straight WNBA Championship with a 79-73 victory over the New York Liberty, making Houston the first professional basketball team to win four straight titles since the Boston Celtics captured eight in a row in 1959. The Comets defeated New York 2-0 overall in the series with the help of four-year MVP Cynthia Cooper, who hit a 3-pointer with 21 seconds left, forcing the tied game into overtime.

AP Photo/Pat Sullivan

Sports Illustrated magazine's Sportswoman of the Year Venus Williams proved power ruled in 2000. The female tennis phenomenon captured the ladies singles title at Wimbledon, not only claiming her first Grand Slam victory, but also becoming the first female black champion at Wimbledon since 1958. She and younger sister, Serena, teamed up to win the doubles crown at the All England Club. Williams later went on to win the U.S. Open, and take the gold in both singles and doubles (with Serena) at the Sydney Olympic Games.

AP Photo/Elise Amendola

AP Photo/John Swart

Indiana University's volatile basketball coach Bobby Knight was dismissed after 29 years of leading the Hoosiers. Knight was fired for "a pattern of unacceptable behavior" and for allegedly grabbing and swearing at a student, violating the "zero tolerance" policy instituted by university president Myles Brand. Thousands of devastated students protested the decision.

The Los Angeles Lakers beat the Indiana Pacers 4 to 2 to win the NBA Championship. The win marked the team's seventh championship, and coach Phil Jackson's first win without Michael Jordan. Jackson's New Age coaching style, which included meditation combined with his triangle offense and suffocating defense, led the Lakers to a league-high 67 wins.

AP Photo/Lenny Ignelzi

Named *Sports Illustrated* magazine's Sportsman of the Year, golfer Tiger Woods continued to set amazing records in 2000. Woods is the only athlete to earn the "Sportsman" title twice, the first golfer to win nine PGA titles in a year since 1950, the second ever to win three professional majors in a single season, and, at 24 years old, the youngest of five golfers to complete a career Grand Slam.

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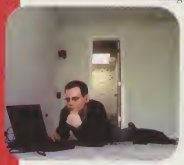
News, News & More News



AP Photo/L.M. Otero

Demonstrating the convenience of e-commerce, former computer systems manager Mitch Maddox rented an empty apartment in Dallas, and, armed with only a laptop, lived exclusively online for a year without leaving his apartment. He ordered everything online, from food and furniture to a personal artist who decorated the apartment. The 26-year-old Maddox changed his name to [illegible] and hosted a 24-hour live feed of his experience.

After years of urging recruits to "Be all you can be," [illegible] decided it was time to update their image and change slogans. Targeting recruits between the ages of 18 and 24, the Army launched new promos focusing on technology, training, benefits and the individual with the new tagline "An army of one." The old slogan was ranked the second best advertising campaign of the 20th century.

AP Photo/Jake Schoell-Kapf

[illegible] dealt the United States a heavy blow beginning in late November. Heavy snows covered the Midwest and Northeast throughout the holiday season, and southern states such as Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Georgia, and Florida suffered unusually cold temperatures and heavy ice storms, which damaged crops and caused lengthy power outages for many residents.

AP Photo/Frank Augstein

Sony's much-anticipated [illegible] game console was released, but much to the disappointment of waiting gamers, a production delay caused demand to far outstrip supply. The coveted console has DVD and CD playing capabilities, advanced graphics, and the capacity to connect to the Internet.

[illegible] was granted a full scholarship from the *New York Times* to attend Harvard University. Homeless for several years after her drug-addicted parents lost their house. Murray finished high school in two years while camping out in New York City parks and subway stations. Her single dorm room at Harvard was her first steady lodging in four years.

[illegible] the 32-year-old Gulf War veteran convicted of murder in the April 1995 truck bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah federal building, was sentenced to be executed by lethal injection. The bombing killed 168 people in what was considered the bloodiest terrorist attack ever on U.S. soil.

[illegible] the world's largest Internet service provider, stunned the world with the news it planned to merge with [illegible] the world's largest media company. The $118 billion deal is considered the largest corporate merger in U.S. history.

YOU SAID...

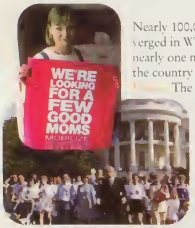
Would you spend above and beyond the retail price to get a PlayStation 2?

No	91%
Yes	9%

News, News and more News

Maria Tirotta Andrews gained international notoriety when she brought her [illegible] on a Boeing 757 airplane flying nonstop from Philadelphia to Seattle. The pig joined her owner in first class, having been granted "service animal" classification usually reserved for seeing eye-dogs. Andrews, who suffers from a heart condition, brought the pig along on her doctor's recommendation, claiming Charlotte helped her feel more relaxed.

AP Photo/Mike Derer



AP Photo/Tom Applewhite

Nearly 100,000 mothers converged in Washington, D.C. and nearly one million rallied across the country in the [illegible] The demonstration was meant to put pressure on Congress to enact tougher gun control laws, while memorializing those senselessly killed by gun-related violence.

One of the hottest holiday items of the year, the [illegible] turned out to be more hazardous than fun. More than 100,000 scooters were recalled due to complaints the handles unexpectedly came out of the steering column, causing riders to fall. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission reported nearly 10,000 people, mostly children, were treated in hospital emergency rooms for scooter-related injuries by the end of the year.

"Caring capitalism" yielded to creamy profits when [illegible] otherwise known as the hippie co-founders of Ben & Jerry's ice cream, finally sold their company to multinational conglomerate Unilever, despite public protests of "don't sell out!" Childhood friends Cohen and Greenfield founded the company in 1978.

AP Photo/Kathy Willens

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson ruled for the breakup of [illegible] the world's largest software company, stating it was a monopoly and had operated illegally using anticompetitive means and attempting to monopolize the Web browser market in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Law.

The commandant of the Marine Corps grounded all [illegible] aircraft activity following a crash in North Carolina that killed four Marines. The crash was the second fatal accident for the troubled $40 billion program. In April, the Osprey crashed while attempting to land after a test mission, killing all 19 Marines aboard. At $80 million apiece, the aircraft is part of a new generation scheduled to eventually replace all of the Marines' primary troop-transport helicopters.

AP Photo/Mark York

YOU SAID...

Which "retro" style would you like to see come back into fashion in the next few years?

The 60s	39%
The 80s	33%
The 20s	17%

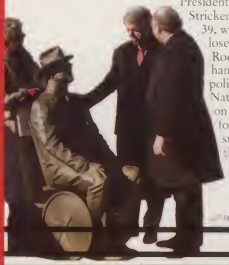
AP Photo/Bridget Montgomery

Both [illegible] and Ford suffered major blows after Firestone, a unit of Japan's Bridgestone Corp., was forced to recall six and a half million 15-inch ATX, ATX II and Wilderness tires, most of which were mounted on Ford Explorers. The faulty tires separated from their treads, causing major accidents, personal injury and more than 100 deaths. The recall is one of the largest in U.S. history.

AP Photo/Eric Gay

The Army tested the [illegible] a faster, bigger mobile howitzer intended to replace the Paladin. The $23 million system can travel up to 29 miles per hour, with a shell distance of 25 miles. It can also fire a series of 100-lb. shells in rapid succession at different trajectories so that the shells all land in their target zone at the same time.

A statue of wheelchair-bound [illegible] was dedicated as the centerpiece of the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial in Washington, D.C. Only two pictures exist showing the President in his wheelchair. Stricken with polio at age 39, which caused him to lose the use of his legs, Roosevelt kept his handicap a secret for political reasons. The National Organization on Disability fought for six years to get a statue that showed the President as he lived.



AP Photo/Henry Griffin Germain

Unusually cold temperatures and the lights of the holiday season put a crunch on the [illegible] Exorbitant electricity prices coupled with the threat of rolling blackouts angered consumers who were urged to conserve power, and even take down holiday lights. Despite a cap on the state's utility rates, the California Public Utilities Commission approved a 26 percent rate increase to help the two largest utility companies out of $9 billion dollars of debt. Blackouts throughout the area caused local merchants to suffer and lose revenue.

AP Photo/Paul Sakuma

Six and a half million acres burned in [illegible] that raged across 12 western states throughout the summer, including Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Arkansas, California, and Nevada. In Montana alone, firefighters were mobilized from 38 states, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, and numerous military units to help battle the blazes.

AP Photo/Douglas C. Pizac

The University of Surrey in Britain has appointed the world's first-ever [illegible] and has added graduate-level courses in the study of in-flight catering. The professorship is being established through a grant from the International Flight Catering Association.

Lasting Impressions

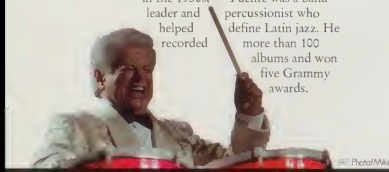
AP Photo

Sir Alec Guiness actor, 86
Later generations knew him primarily for his role as Ben (Obi-Wan) Kenobi in the 1977 film "Star Wars," but British actor Alec Guiness was also an Oscar-winning talent known to many as the "man of a thousand faces" for his ability to play and look like a vast variety of characters.

Dale Earnhardt race car driver, 49
The death of Dale Earnhardt, dubbed the greatest driver ever, came as a shock to NASCAR fans nationwide. Also known as "The Intimidator" for his aggressive attitude on the track, Earnhardt died of head injuries in a 180-mph crash during the last lap of the 2001 Daytona 500.

AP Photo/Ric Field

Tito Puente Latin jazz musician, 77
Named the original "Mambo King" in the 1950s, Puente was a band-leader and percussionist who helped define Latin jazz. He recorded more than 100 albums and won five Grammy awards.



AP Photo/Mike Albans

Cardinal Terence J. Cooke
Archbishop, 80
Known best for his work on behalf of the poor and his ministry at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City, Catholic Archbishop Cardinal O'Connor was a national figure, with influence and friendships among world leaders.

AP Photo/Kathy Williams

Walter Matthau actor, 79
Probably known best for his role as Oscar Madison in "The Odd Couple," both on Broadway and in the movie, Matthau brought his dry humor to the stage, television and many movies, including "The Fortune Cookie," "Grumpy Old Men," "IQ" and "Dennis the Menace."

AP Photo/Julie Markes

Carl T. Rowan journalist, 75
A syndicated columnist and best-selling author once called America's "most visible black journalist," Rowan was known for his columns exploring race relations and was a champion of civil rights. Rowan also served as director of the U.S. Information Agency under President Lyndon B. Johnson, and as the U.S. Ambassador to Finland from 1963-1964.

AP Photo/Michael

Others To Remember

Steve Allen, comedian and composer, 78
Gwendolyn Brooks, writer, 83
Malik Sealy, basketball player, 30
Jim Varney, actor/comedian, 50
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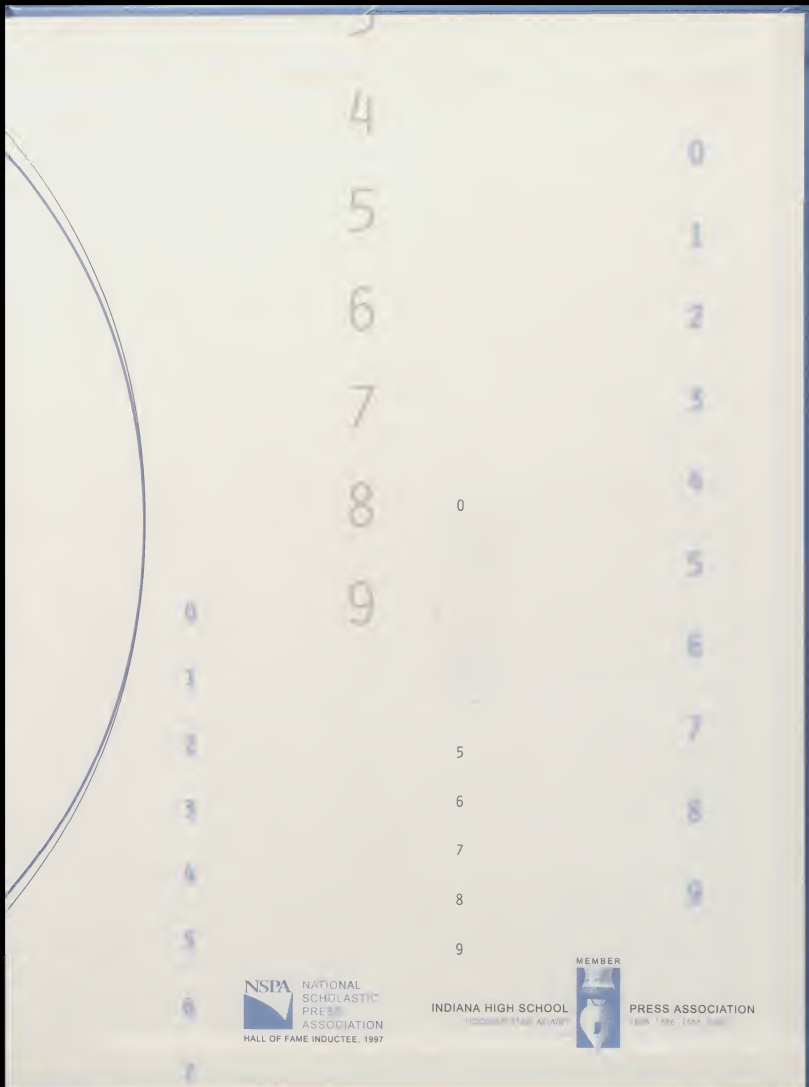
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